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Amanda
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7 hours a day, 180 days a year, 4 years. By the time you're ready to graduate, you've lived a fourth of your life. Whether you're already home-free or you still have time to serve, if you add it up, Ames High has the better part of four of those years. The question at hand, however, is whether you've truly lived those four years, or whether you were merely surviving.

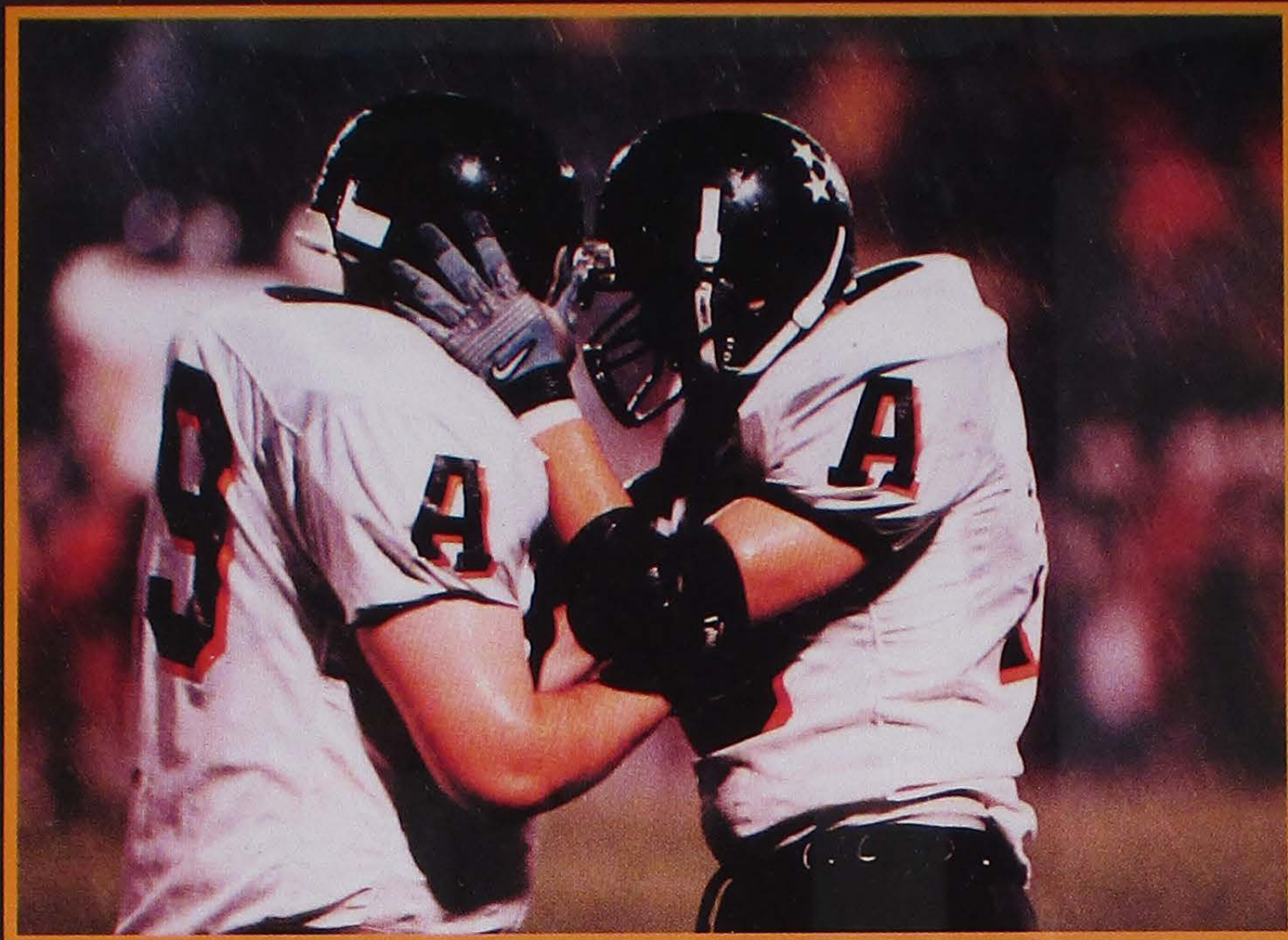
7 hours a day, 180 days a year, 4 years. As the hours and days and years tick by, were you making memories or waiting for something else? The truth is, you won't know until you have an entire life to look back and reflect upon - whether your time at Ames High was the "time of your life." But who wants to look back and have regrets?

7 hours a day, 180 days a year, 4 years.

So embrace each one of those hours, days, and years to the best of your ability because whatever way you look at it--it's become a part of who you are. You are and will forever be a Little Cyclone, something with incomparable strength. If you choose to show your true colors, your school spirit, you'll be adding to our cyclone of power but if you choose to remain aloof you'll only miss out on what could be a few of the most meaningful years of your life.

of our memories

our favorite traditions



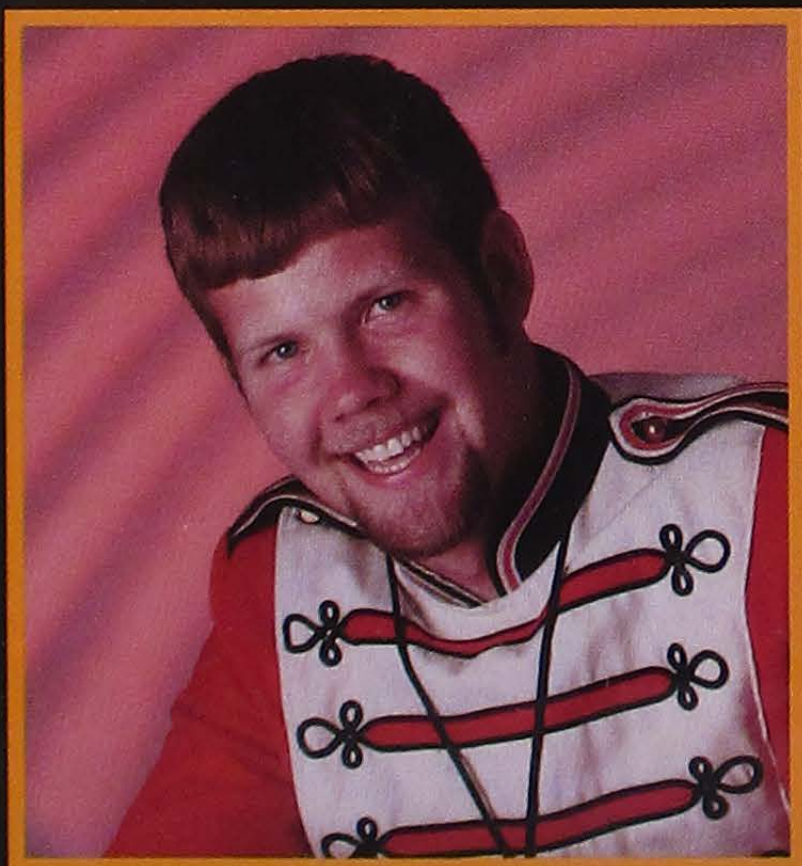
"Team Tailgate."
Peter Acker

"The I-Ball All-Star Game."
Justin Abbott

"Crush Cans!"
Melissa Belz

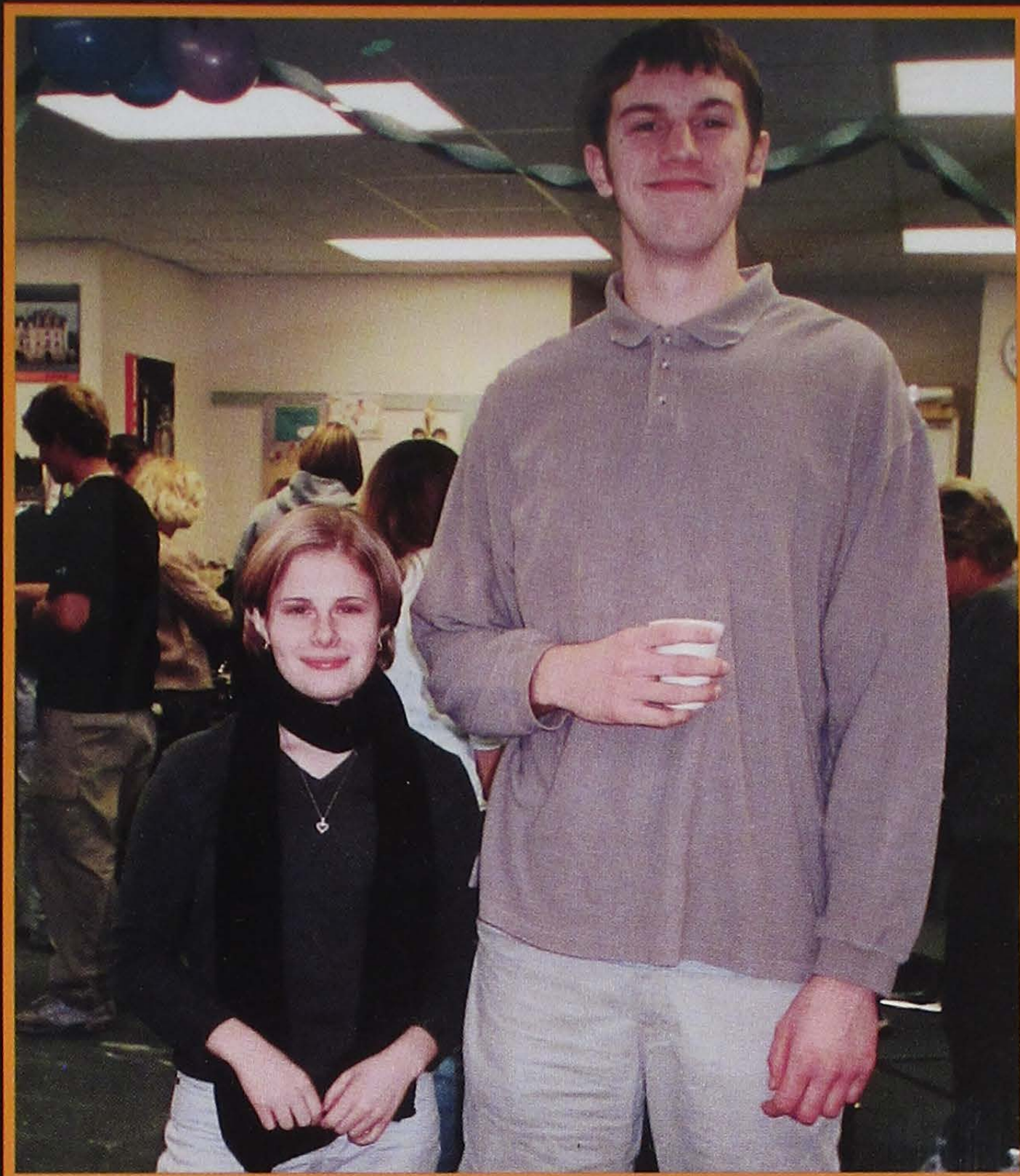
"I wore orange pants in front of an entire football stadium of people at every home football game."

Brian Clark



"Our diversity. There are jocks, but there are great chess players, great actors, and great students, too."

-*Sylvia Reed*



"We are always protesting something."

-*Sean Carlton*

"Cable in the science wing."

-*Brian Anderson*

our biggest strengths

our true colors



"My friends and I wore wife-beaters and painted GO AHS on our tummies."

Kaite Naeve

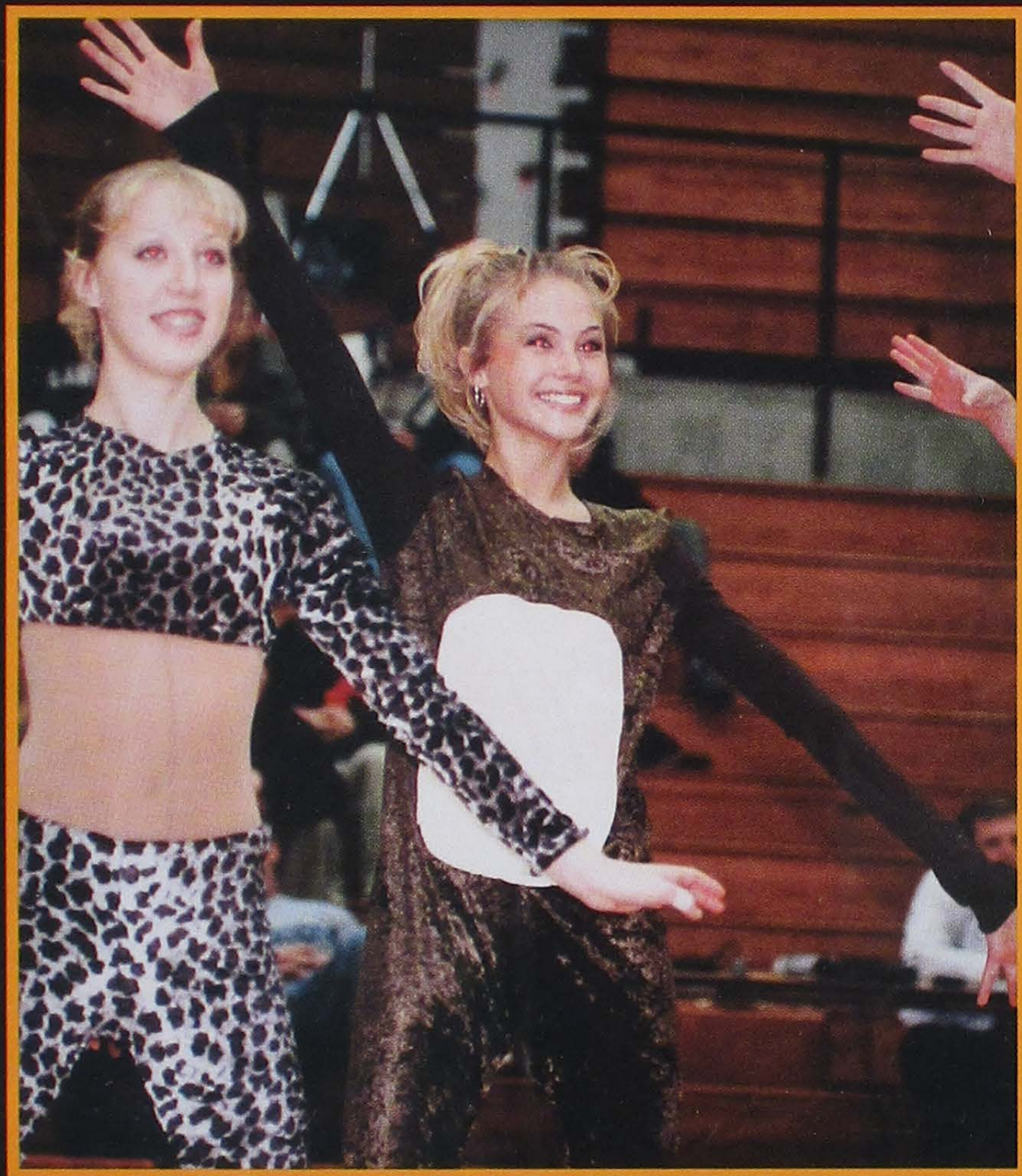
Why are our colors orange and black?
"So I can wear my orange and black camoflage."

Emily L. Smith



Students of Ames Senior High,
Proud of our school are we!

*Cheering the orange and the black,
Onto our victory, rah rah rah!*



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Loyal and true are we!

*Doing the best for our high school,
Ames Hi, Aims High!*

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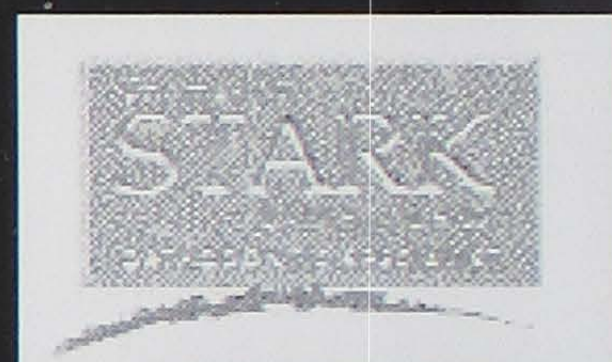


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If people can build cabins
Then they can build cathedrals
Someday they'll build towers
Nearly scrape the sky

And I might be among them
In another lifetime
But tonight I'm here on a prairie
Build a fire by the river
Where *a gentle breeze*
Is easing me to sleep

If people cross the desert
Then they can cross the ocean
Someday they will cross the sky
And try to reach the moon

And I might be among them

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By
Jen
Alexander

helping hand

Summer for many students means sleeping in until noon and partying at night. For others, it means working part time or wasting away in summer school.

For several students, however, this summer was a time to give back to the community by becoming volunteers for the Appalachia Service Program.

Volunteers were sent to the Appalachian mountain area, where they spent a week building or repairing homes for the people of Appalachia.

In preparation for their trek, students raised funds months in advance by selling candy or making care packages for their families.

"ASP is a whole church event. The women's group spends the entire year

sewing quilts for and church members contribute donations year," junior **Sara Clayton** said.



The experience of ASP often benefited those who volunteered more than those being helped. "The family I worked with taught me a lot about life and about myself. They welcomed us into their homes as friends and made us a part of their family," Clayton said.

Many students left with a feeling of immense appreciation

for the lessons they learned during the week but most also felt they could have contributed much more.

"I only wish I could have done more for them," junior **Dara Poorman** said.

The family I worked with taught me a lot about life and about myself.



• **SUPER-SOAKED:** During an especially hot summer day, a group of juniors gathered in junior **Sam Ruppert's** backyard to enjoy the freezing cold water from garden hoses, water guns and super-soakers. The day proved to be a welcomed break from the excruciating heat and humidity of the hot summer months. With heat indexes often reaching above a hundred degrees, students sought creative solutions to their lack of entertainment and the desert-like climates. (photo courtesy of Sam Ruppert)

• **OUTTA SYNC:** Junior **Jessi Rutherford** takes her obsession with bubblegum pop group **N*SYNC** to a new level, lipsyncing to their hit song "God Must Have Spent (A Little More Time On You)," with a group of friends from the Appalachian Service Project. The group gave the presentation in order to show their gratitude to the ASP staffers and volunteers who had worked so hard and been so dedicated to the success of the project. Besides lipsyncing, the group also added a touch of choreography to entertain the audience. (photo courtesy of Jen Alexander)



LONG-winded students

"Summer provides the perfect opportunity to catch up on sleep and the extra time to do things outside of the classroom that you've always wanted to try. It's my favorite time of the year!"

- Julie Song, Senior





• **ABBOTT GOIN' SKINS:** Seniors Justin Abbott, Andrew Cross and Greg Payne kick back in a Madrid hostile after a hot day. Throughout the month-long Europe trip students had the opportunity to spend a lot of quality time with close friends, as well as classmates that they hadn't spent much time with during the school year. (photo courtesy of Greg Payne)

queens of clubs



"Half the golf season is spent sitting around talking while waiting for the girls in front of you to hit," junior **Amanda Burke** said. "We make good friends, though." (photo courtesy of Burke)



The girls' golf team finished third at the state tournament June 1. "It's the best season we've had since 1988," coach **Bob Heiberger** said. (photo courtesy of Sue Burke)



• **THINK OF LONDON, SMALL CITY?:** Students on the Europe trip gather in Trafalgar Square while stopping in London. The group continued their trip through Holland, Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, and France with a final three days in Spain. For many, it was their first time out of the United States. Each stop provided opportunities to experience foreign cultures first-hand that they had previously only read about in textbooks. "It was a great way to see the world, and be with so many of my friends. I learned a lot," senior **Megan Maher** said. (photo courtesy of Greg Payne)

Once Upon A Summer

"I watched my brother, Jamie Colbert, trying to be a pimp."
- **Anonymous**

"I remember Elliot Dowling giving me fishing tips from *In Fisherman*, but for some reason he never caught anything."
- **Ben Cronin**

"I went to the pool and checked out all the pool bunnies."
- **Matt Murphy**

"I had my wisdom teeth pulled out and spent a week holding frozen veggies on my cheeks."
- **Kristin Redmond**

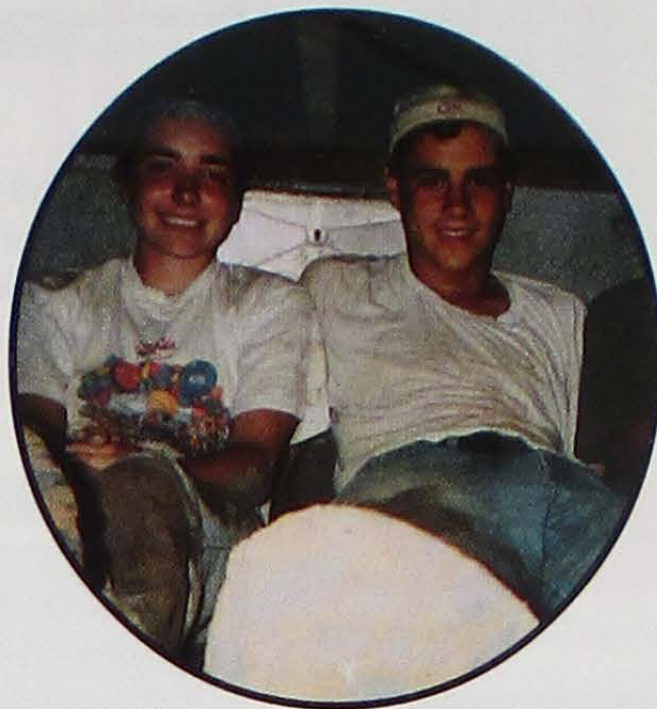
"I made out with a guy named Moose while skinny dipping."
- **Cassidy Hall**

"I enjoyed watching Adam Shaull spend his parents' life savings in Europe on his girlfriend, who dumped him the second day we were home."
- **Jessica Kinyon**

June



• **THE WHEELS ON THE BUS GO ROUND AND ROUND:** While at a church related conference in West Lafayette, Indiana, junior **Charlie Litchfield** spent his free time checking out "fine specimens of the opposite sex." "I was also got a chance to practice for my future profession," Litchfield said. (photo courtesy of Julie Prindle)



• **GETTING DOWN AND DIRTY:** Senior **Kelley Kunz** and junior **Casey Winkleblack** pose for a victory picture after completing a service project while on the Saint Cecelia Church's annual volunteer trip. (photo courtesy of Steve Kunz)



• **GET YOUR MOTOR RUNNIN':** Seniors **Eric Carter**, **Thad Bohn**, **Tom Gartin** and **Stephen Koranda** pose next to their cars at Ruttle's Roll-In. Every Thursday night, classic cars from all around Iowa stopped there to show off their wheels. (photo courtesy of Rita Carter)



• **GIMME S'MORE:** Seniors **Rita Carter** and **Anna Duple** toast marshmallows over a campfire at the Ledges. "It was really difficult finding a camping spot. Everyone and their Grandma decided to go there!" Carter said. (photo courtesy of Rita Carter)

A Midsummer's Dream

Junior Varsity softball--summer of 2000. Their season started as any other season would have: long, hot days of intense softball. Things changed, however, and the season became the shortest and most exciting any of the players had ever experienced.

Game after game, the team won. They managed to beat every opponent that had defeated them early in the season, with the exception of Urbandale. The results of their long-fought battle--a 10-5 record. The exceptional record was one of the best that Ames High softball had seen in a very long time.

The Magnificent 13, as the team dubbed themselves, may not go down in history, but they will always remember the times they shared and the joy, sweat and sorrow they put into every game.



PRO

To Burn or not to Burn

CON



- With a dark tan, you don't have to waste your time showering--nobody can tell if you're dirty.
- You can get a good 5 points extra credit in Spanish because you look more like Latino lover Ricky Martin.
- You can get cancer without ever having to smoke a cigarette.
- It's a lot cheaper than Clinique Tan-In-A-Bottle.

"It can be relaxing if you forget the sun is slowing taking away years of your life."
Shelby Junkman

- Protecting your skin during the first 18 years of life can reduce the risk of obtaining skin cancer by up to 78%.
- Experts warn that one severe sunburn during the first 15 years of life can double the risk of obtaining skin cancer.
- Other consequences of sun exposure include wrinkles, dark skin spots, blistering and pain, and cancerous melanoma.

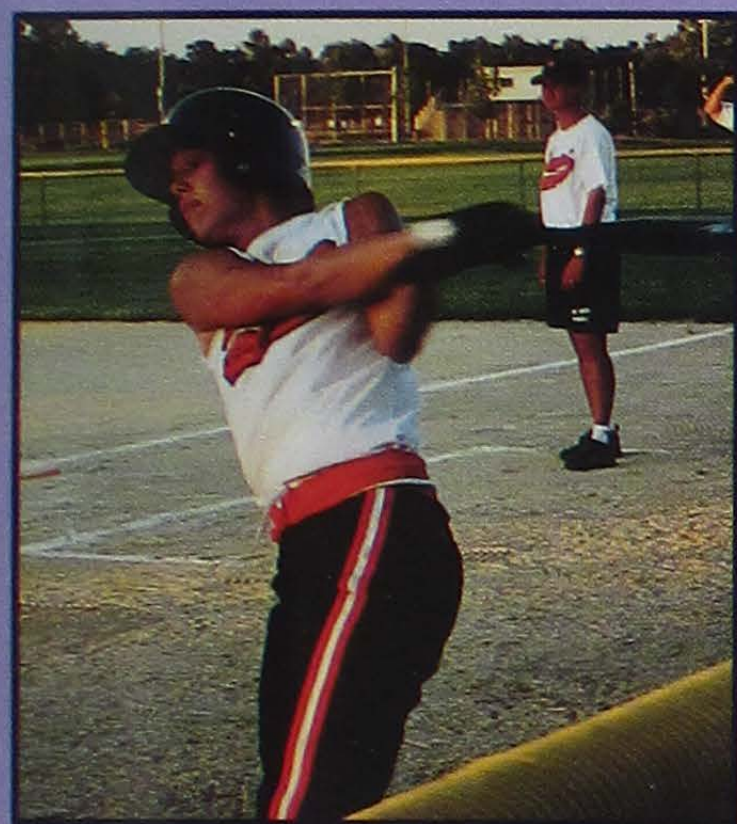
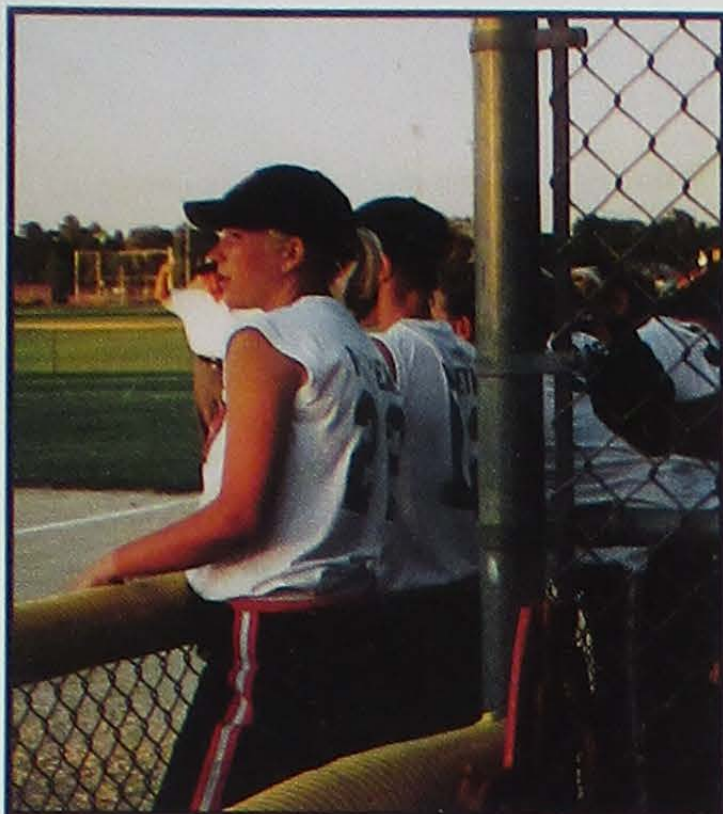
"I always fry anyways, so it's not worth it."
Diane Borcharding





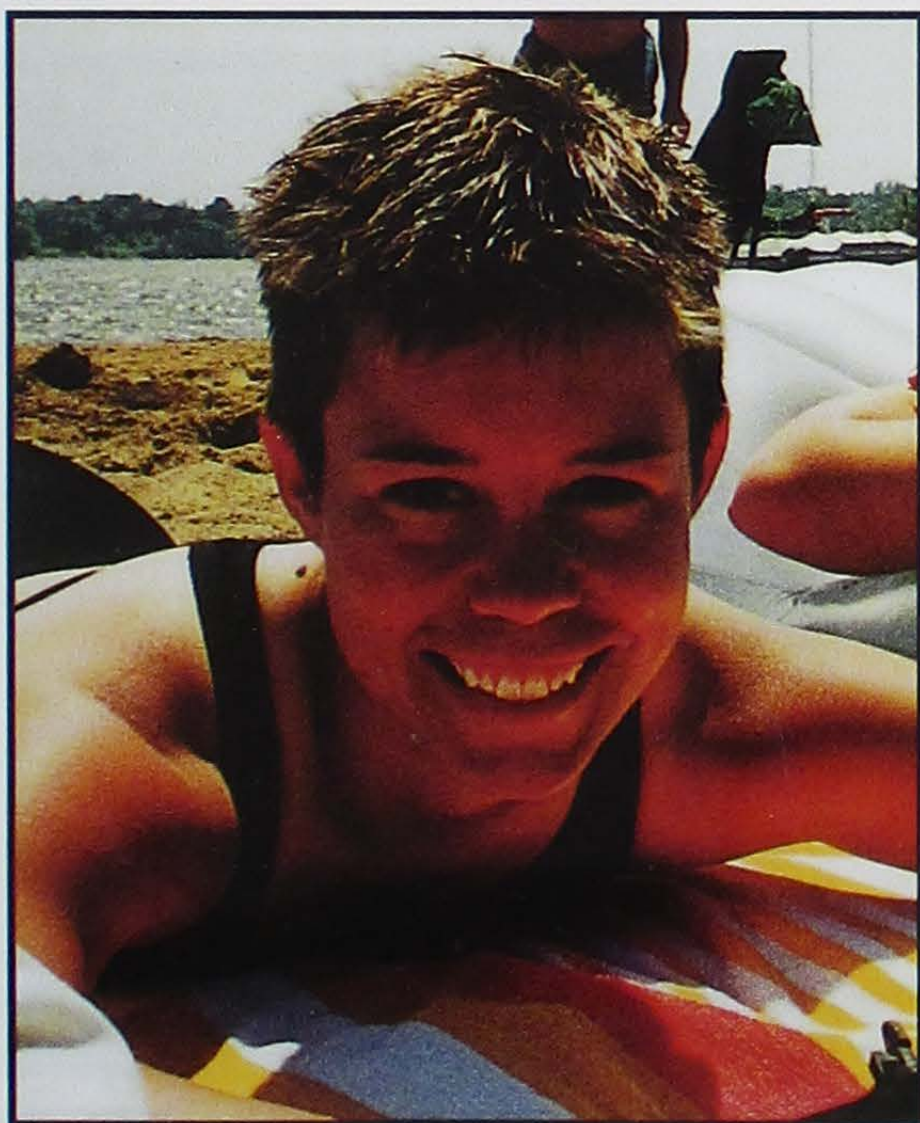
• **BASE LINE:** Junior Sam Ruppert attempts to steal second base during the Varsity baseball game against Marshalltown. Throughout the season, the Bobcats proved to be one of the most competitive opponents. "Playing at such an intense level gave us an opportunity to prove what we could do," Ruppert said. "We had our ups and downs, but we always managed to pull together." (photo courtesy of Sam Ruppert)

• **LAST GLANCE:** Junior Valerie Matters glances across the diamond for the last time during regular season play. "Looking back on the season, I really enjoyed the experience that I got from playing softball with the seniors. Watching the state tournament in Fort Dodge together gave us determination to be the ones playing in the tournament next year," Matters said. (photo by Melisse Owen)



• **CHECK SWING:** Senior Carly Mortensen takes a few warm-up swings before going to bat. "Softball is an exciting sport to watch. For that reason, fans come because it's easy to watch people doing something they enjoy. Basically, I play softball almost all year and still miss it in the off-season. It's not hard to dedicate your summer to something you enjoy so much," she said. "I love going to the field every day, where I get to have fun, work hard, and be with people I love spending time with. It's a time to be carefree and a time to think only about softball, without having to worry about schoolwork." While others are sleeping and lounging around the pool, the guys and gals of summer are in the full swing of their season. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **I'M FROM THE COUNTRY AND I LIKE IT THAT WAY:** Senior Emily Smith looks up and into an awaiting camera while sunbathing at Big Creek near Sailorville, Iowa. The day consisted of much eating, catching rays, swimming and attending the Varsity softball game that night. "Summer is fun because my friends are home and we are free to do anything we want," Smith said. "This summer I got to go to Indiana with my church, and it was an awesome time of hanging out with my friends. I also got to camp at the State Fair and it was terrific. But hanging out with the pigs and cows was even better." Between daily rallies, soccer games and work projects in Indiana and the down-home excitement of the Iowa State Fair's milk stand and roller ride, Smith's free time quickly dwindled, and the summer months fled by faster than she would have liked. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Once Upon A Summer

"Your summer goes by surprisingly fast when it's spent basking in the nice warm glow of . . . your computer screen."
- Chad Shonkwiler

"I'll never forget the time Erin Martin lit a fun noodle on fire."
- Anna Burgdoff

"Chris Bystron snorted pepper up his nose at Burger King--that was pretty funny."
- Ian Smith

"I listened to Arch Bishop Desmond Tutu speak in St. Louis."
- Ben Nerdig

"The softball team got caught by the cops for throwing ice cream cones on cars."
- Annie Legg

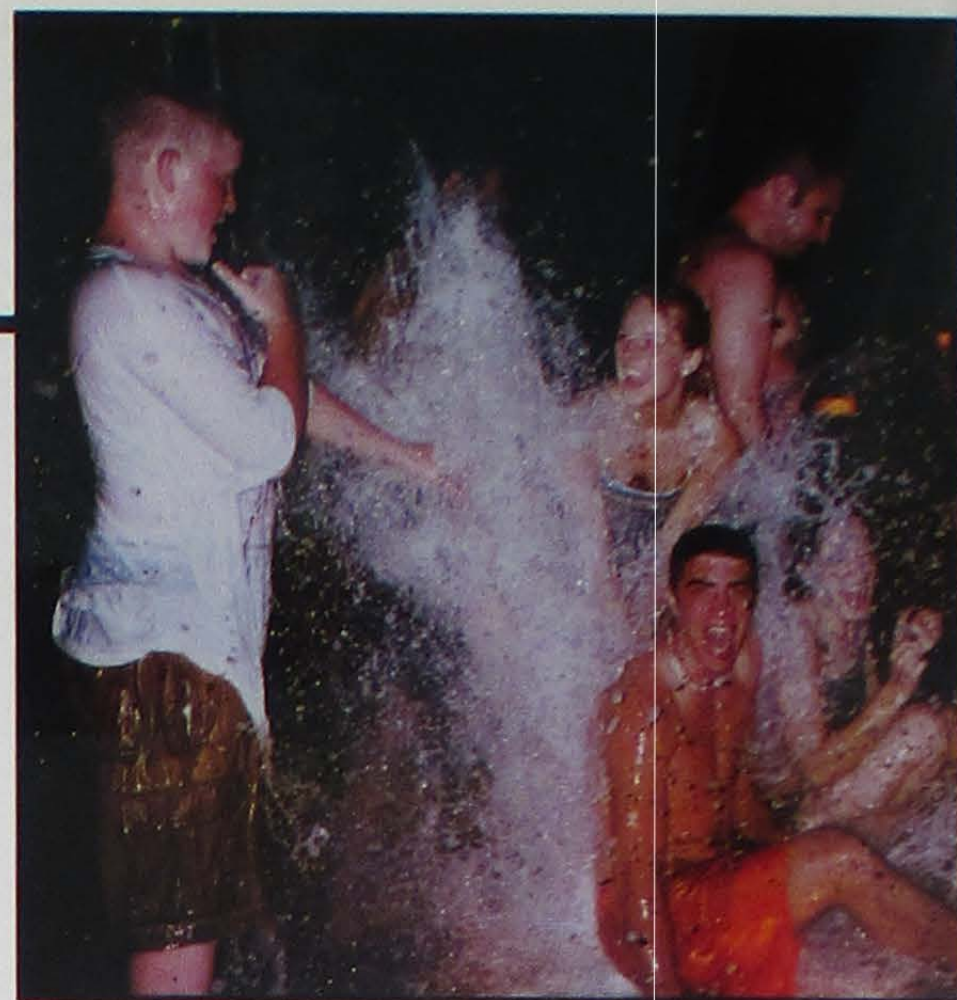
"Megan Eernisse's wipe-out under the Eiffle Tower is hard to beat for laughs."
- Heather Lowman
&
Laura Obrycki

July



• **X MARKS THE SPOT:** Freshman Ben Ward buries freshman Andrea Vos at the beach. Students from Evangelical Free Church spent a day at Indiana Dunes State Park after a conference, enjoying a swim in Lake Michigan and climbing the dunes. (photo by Julie Prindle)

• **WATCH OUT! HERE IT COMES:** Freshman Cody Burgdoff, senior Bri Staff and junior Danny Brinkheide attempt to sit on the fountain at Purdue University. The fountain provided some much-needed cool relief after a sweltering day. (photo by Julie Prindle)



• **AS THE CLOUDS ROLL BY:** Seniors Andrew Seiler, Shawn Brekke and Ryan Seiler take some time during the "dog days" of summer to bask in the sun and watch the clouds roll by. Watching grass grow was a popular pastime for students lacking productive agendas. Some of their best times were spent just hanging around talking and enjoying the company of friends. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



• **SUPERSTAR:** Junior Katie Brannan is, like, so famous! Actually, Brannan and some friends spent a lazy day in exciting Story City. At the local supermarket, Brannan and a friend stopped to pose with the chauffeur of a newlywed couple. The groom, obviously curious, sneaked a peak out of the sunroof. (photo by J. Prindle)



• **EAT A PEACH:** Seniors Jonah Cunnelly, Scot Sienknect, Dipyan Mitra, Chris Norris, Eril Timmons and junior Ben North wait for an encore performance by the Allmon Brothers. They attended "Saturday in the Park" in Sioux City, an annual all-day event. (photo by Greg Payne)

Did you make the most of your break?

What did you do the day after school got out?

- A. School? What? Where?
- B. Study for next year
- C. Sleep

Where did you go?

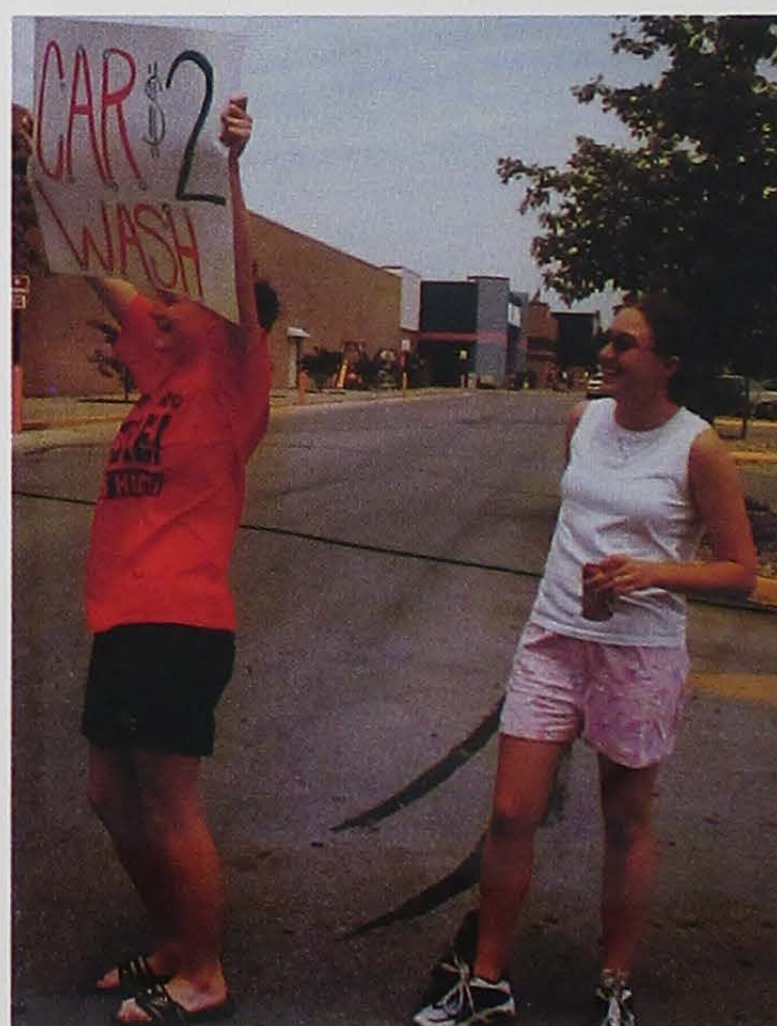
- A. Boone.
- B. The library.
- C. To sleep.

What did you read?

- A. The Surgeon General's warning ...
- B. Strictly Shakespeare.
- C. Does TEEN count?

How much did you work?

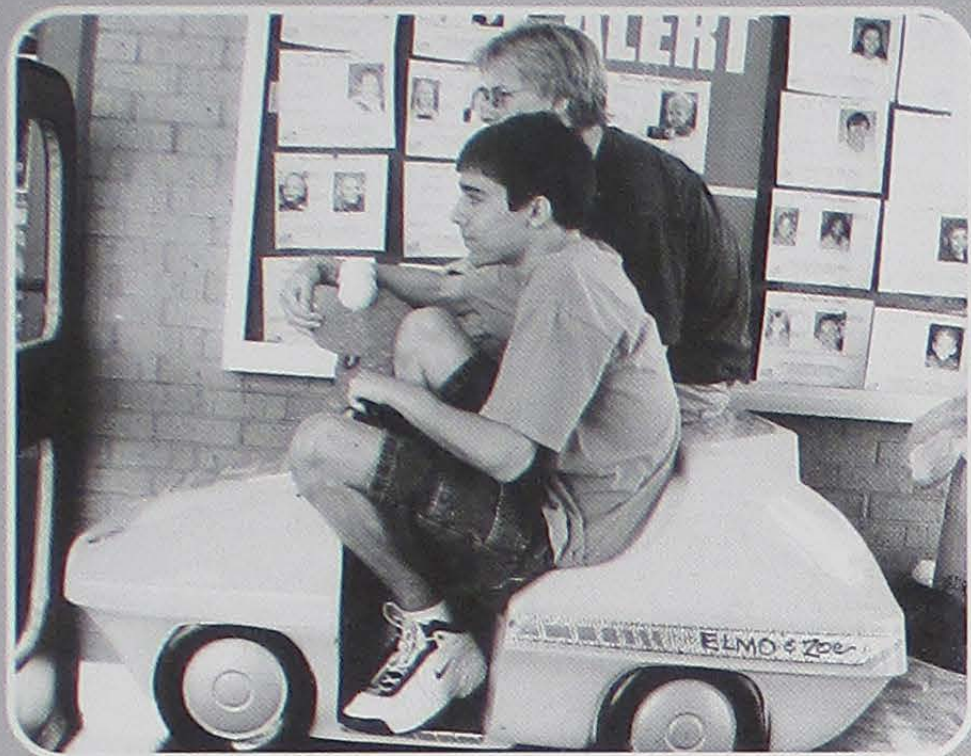
- A. Work? What's that?
- B. I was too busy studying.
- C. Ha! That's funny!



If you chose ...
Mostly A's: You must be a 5th year senior. Your life is worthless. Spirit Staff suggests: get off your butt and become a real person.
Mostly B's: You have no life. The gigantic mass of your brain does not compensate for your lack of social skills. Spirit Staff suggests: get out and party a little! Shakespeare can wait.
Mostly C's: As our beloved yearbook instructor would say, "Rock on girlfriend!" However, Spirit suggests: when the indentation on the couch remains for over a week, it's time to catch some action that's not on T.V.

Honk!

Juniors **Josh Teiken** and **Justin Rule** get in touch with "the child within" by riding the Elmo and Zoe mobile in front of Walmart. Having just finished up registration for the upcoming school year, the two thought it was the perfect time get crazy and enjoy the last few moments of freedom. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **THE QUIET BEFORE THE STORM:** Senior **Kesha Johns** and her father, Superintendent **Nick Johns**, take advantage of the beautiful weather to enjoy a last peaceful moment before the school year begins. "We were at the Botanical Gardens in Des Moines. That place makes me feel very tropical because of all the exotic plants and flowers; I love going there. My dad wanted the two of us to go one last time before the school year started. He is an amazing man. Besides going to neat places like the Botanical Gardens, he somehow always manages to find the time to take me out to lunch. Even though we go to a new place almost every time, I always end up getting the same things. But the food is secondary to the time spent alone with my father. Our tradition of eating together is something we plan on continuing throughout the school year," Johns said. (photo courtesy of Kesha Johns)

BIG MAN ON CAMPUS: High school janitor and newly-appointed Varsity volleyball coach **James Brockway** throws the ball into the air for another serve after a hard day of work. Brockway, overwhelmed by all the work needing to be done before the school year began, enjoyed playing tennis after the work day was over. "Tennis is a great game to learn because you can play it alone or with other people. It's a great stress-reliever," Brockway said. Brockway was well-known around the school and very popular among students because of his dynamic personality and his keen sense of humor. The faculty all raved about his unusual ability to solve the word jumbles in the *Des Moines Register* faster than any other teacher. Even with his immense popularity, Brockway is always humble. "I just have a job to do and do it, that's all," Brockway said. (photo by Greg Payne)



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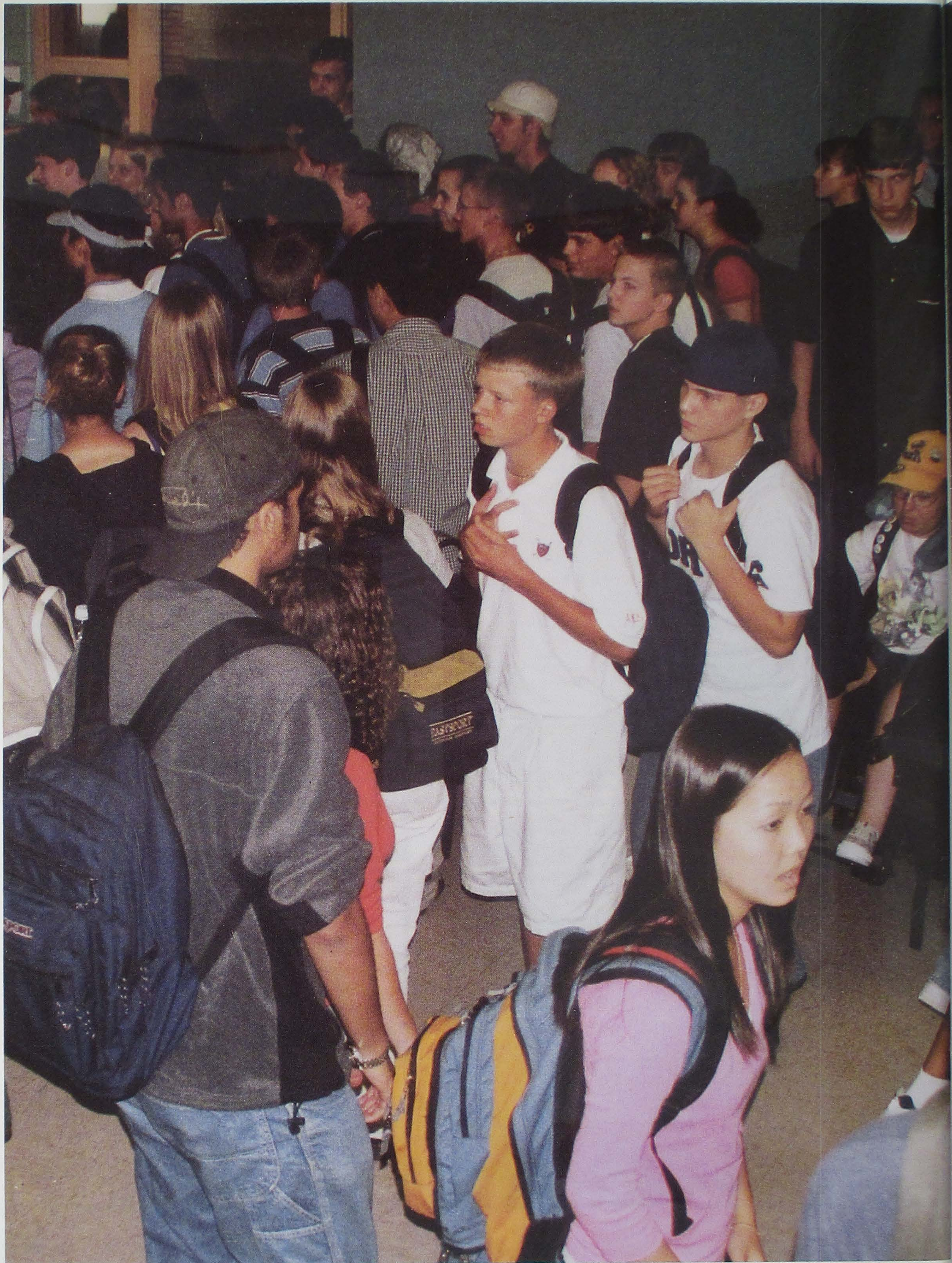
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August



May the road rise up to meet you,
May the *wind* *always be at your back,*
May the warm rays of sun fall upon
your home,
And may the hand of a friend always
be near.

May you see your children's children,
May you be poor in misfortune, rich in
blessings,
May you know nothing but happiness,
From this day forward.

May green be the grass you walk on,
May blue be the skies above you,
May pure be the joys that surround
you.

wind

By
Nick
Meyer

of change

On Monday, August 21, a new wind blew through Ames High. This gust brought with it the novelty of a new class and scattered the legacy of the old.

As the skies calmed and the leaves settled, more change was apparent than just the ascension of a grade level.

The aftermath of the storm left us with what seemed like a whole new school. **Mike McGrory** and **Theresa Schleisman** headed the new administration team, replacing former principal **Charles Achter** and associate principal **Diana Holdsworth**. A new foodservice provider promised more choices and an end to single-choice lunch lines. We were forced out of bed ten minutes earlier and our trips home were

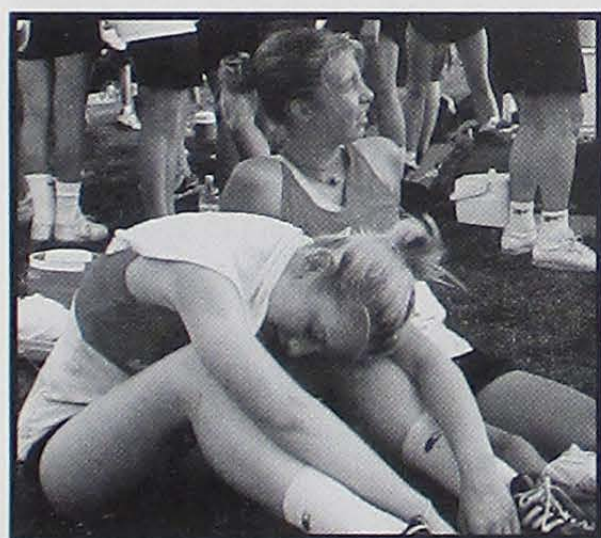
delayed by another five. Our rainbow-colored halls were replaced by an off-white hue, and many of us met with a new counselor. The changes were evident; the effects remained to be seen.

As the first week dragged on, students remembered the old ways fondly but quickly adjusted to the new. We reset our alarms and slowly learned to get up earlier or simply found new ways to get dressed faster. Complaints about long lunch lines quieted.

Thoughts of colored hallways drifted from our minds. However different it may have been, Ames High was still our school, and we were still its students. We would not let a little breeze ruin our day.

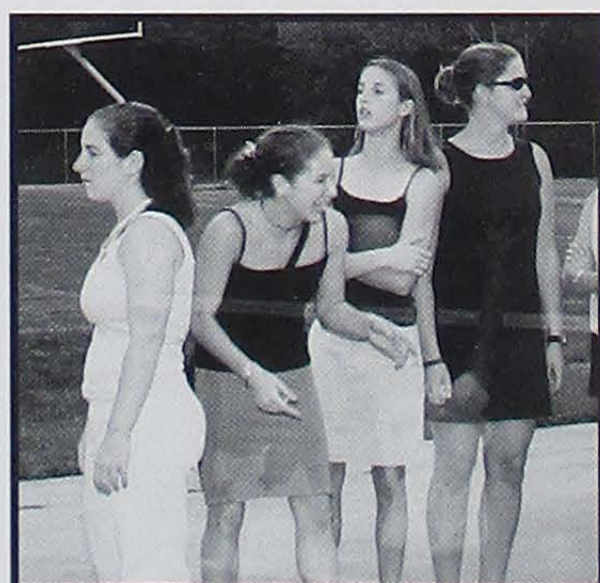


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• **HOT, HOT, HOT:** Senior **Mattea Wayne** and junior **Stephanie Brunia** feel the combined effects of grueling running and intense heat. The team trained harder than ever despite extremely high temperatures. The goal of the strenuous practices was to prepare the team to run well and succeed during the season. The girls' cross country coach **Kirk Schmaltz** was proud of their dedication. "The girls survived the heat really well. The heat didn't slow them down," Schmaltz said. (photo courtesy of Arriel Wayne)

• **A SWIMMER'S LIFE OUTSIDE THE POOL:** During the fall sports kick-off, senior **Elisa Arkovich**, junior **Stacey Arkovich**, freshman **Colleen Armstrong**, and senior **Erin Belcher** wait for their names to be announced as participants on the swimming and diving team. The team consisted of approximately sixty girls. The kick-off was used to recognize the athletes of fall sports and inform the general public of events during the upcoming athletic season. (photo by Amy Chung)



LONGwinded students

Senior
Ryan Cummings
rocked the
courtyard at
the after-party for
the fall

sports kick-off. "The students know me and they feel comfortable telling me what they want to hear," Cummings said. (photo by Rita Carter)





• **H E Y BAKERSMAN, BAKE ME A CAKE AS FAST AS YOU CAN:** Junior Geoff Thompson, senior Karen Cadwell and freshman Jacklyn McEachran prepare scotcheroos in Foods I. Scotcheroos, consisting of rice krispie bars topped with peanut butter and chocolate, were popular treats for foods students. (photo by R. Carter)

concentration



With careful precision, sophomore **Billy Fennelly** chips the ball within a foot of the hole. Fennelly shot a 40 on Ankeny's Otter Creek Golf Course. (Photo by Rita Carter)



Senior **Jared Eckard** studies his subject in Drawing I. The point of the exercise was to teach students to draw realistic objects in perspective. (photo by Chung)



• **POT SHOTS:** Senior **John Laville** exercises his creative muscles as he creates a project for Ceramics I. The school year jumped off to a quick start as many classes had projects due within the first few weeks. Some students felt overwhelmed by the amount of work they received at the beginning of the school year, but much was learned. "I'm only two weeks into the class I'm already a ceramics expert," Laville said after obtaining the new skill. Others not so eager to learn new skills spent many late nights cramming for tests and hurrying to finish projects. (photo by S. Brunia)

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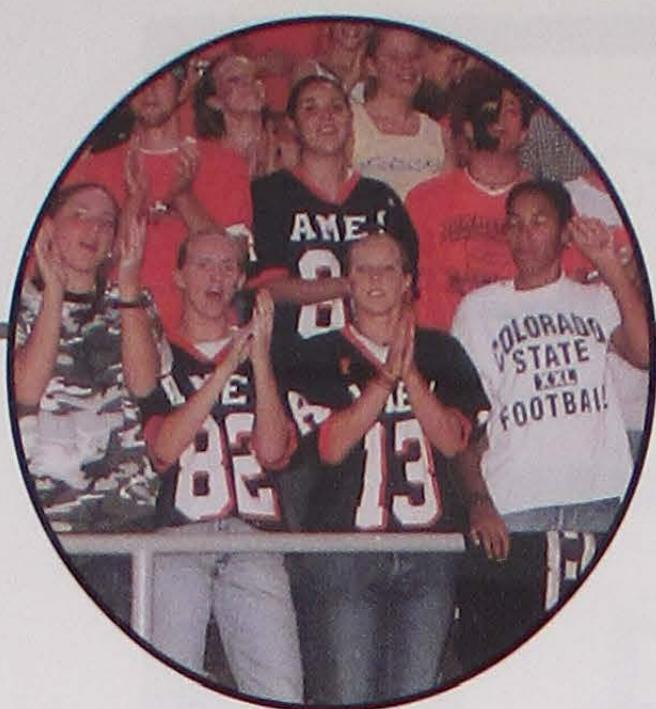
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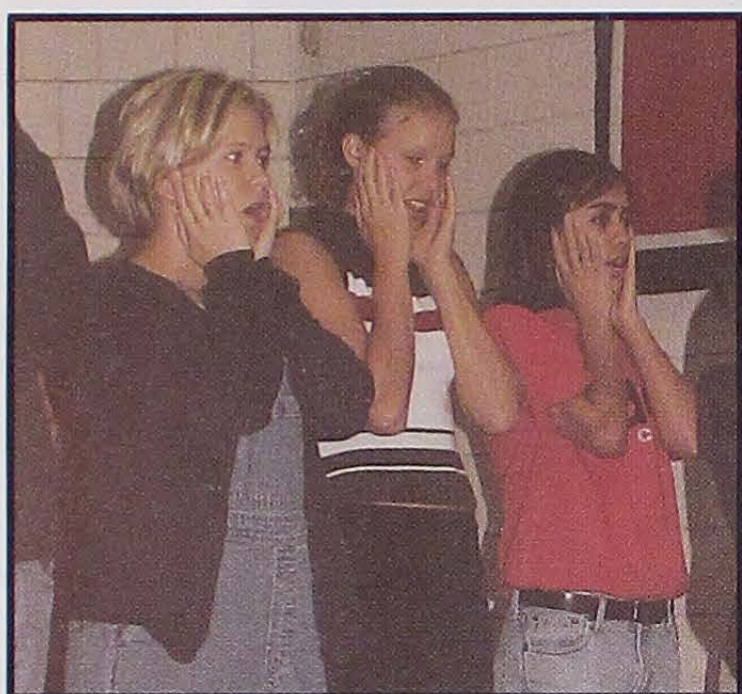
August



• **MAKE SOME NOISE:** The crowd cheers in support of the Varsity football team despite a harrowing loss of 20-7 to the Dowling Maroons. "We were both talented teams, but they just played a better game that night," senior linebacker **Greg Payne** said. (photo by Melisse Owen)



• **FISH FACE:** Senior **Kesha Johns** helps pump up the younger members of the girl's swim team in preparation for the upcoming meet against Ankeny. (photo by Melisse Owen)



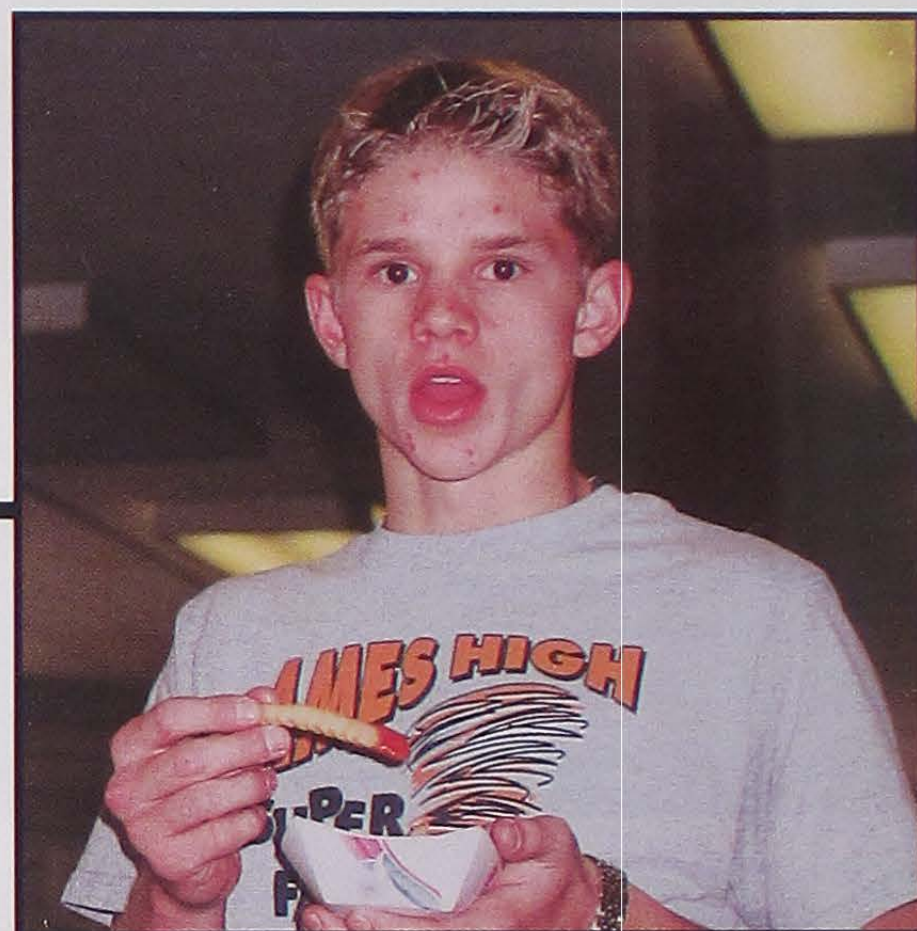
• **OPEN WIDE AND SAY "AHH":** Seniors **Christine Dickson**, **Carly Mortensen** and junior **Jessica Pfeiffer** practice their vocal techniques during a warm-up for Concert Chorale. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **HIT ME WITH YOUR BEST SHOT, FIRE AWAY:** Playing on familiar ground in Ames, senior **Nick Inglett** shot a score of 38 and helped the boy's golf team to defeat the East Des Moines Scarlets. (photo by Rita Carter)

School Lunch Program Gets a New Name

"Same fries, new name, new price," senior **Brandon Cornelius** said of the higher-priced fixin's available to students in place of the traditional school food. The revamped program enlisted the help of a Minneapolis-based food company, Taher Nutrition Services, to revise the school lunch program and provide a greater variety of menu options. New items included different varieties of salads, croissant sandwiches, turkey and ham wraps, calzones, fried chicken tenders, hamburgers and pizzas (personal and by the slice). Although the newer items were sold to hungry students at a higher price than in previous years, the usual menu options were still available, with a greater selection provided. In addition to preparing a new lunch program for students, Taher Nutrition Services also contributed food and catering services to parents and teachers, providing breakfasts and snacks for various meetings. (photo by Allison Burke)



Who Would You Be In Your Next Life?

"It would be totally gnarly to be a koala, because they sleep twenty-three hours out of every day and for the twenty-fourth hour they eat and have sex. And they're fuzzy, too."

-freshman **Nicole Hepperle**

"I really want to be an Egyptian Princess, because I want to be royalty and I think the Egyptian environment is beautiful."

-sophomore **Kami Mushel**

"I want to be a greasy, homeless beggar because I didn't shower today. I think that'd be cool."

-junior **Cassidy Hall**

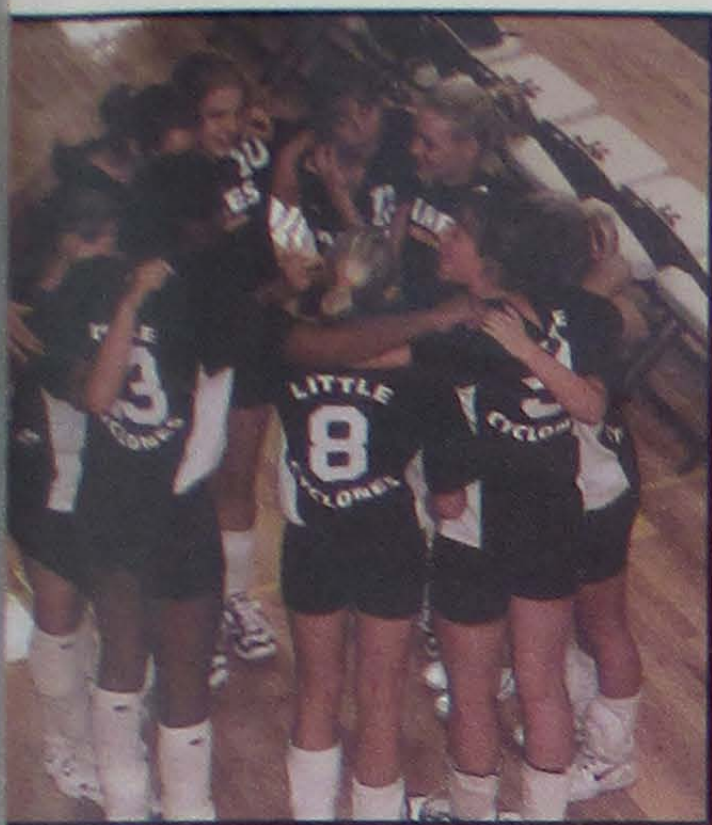
"In my next life, I would like to be Amanda Hopper, because I would like to know what it's like to be beautiful and witty. Yeah. I wanna be beautiful and witty. And two inches taller."

-senior **Mara Wendel**

"In my next life, I would be a dolphin, because I would like to know the sea better. I admire them - they're fast, they're free, as long as they don't get caught in a tuna fleet."

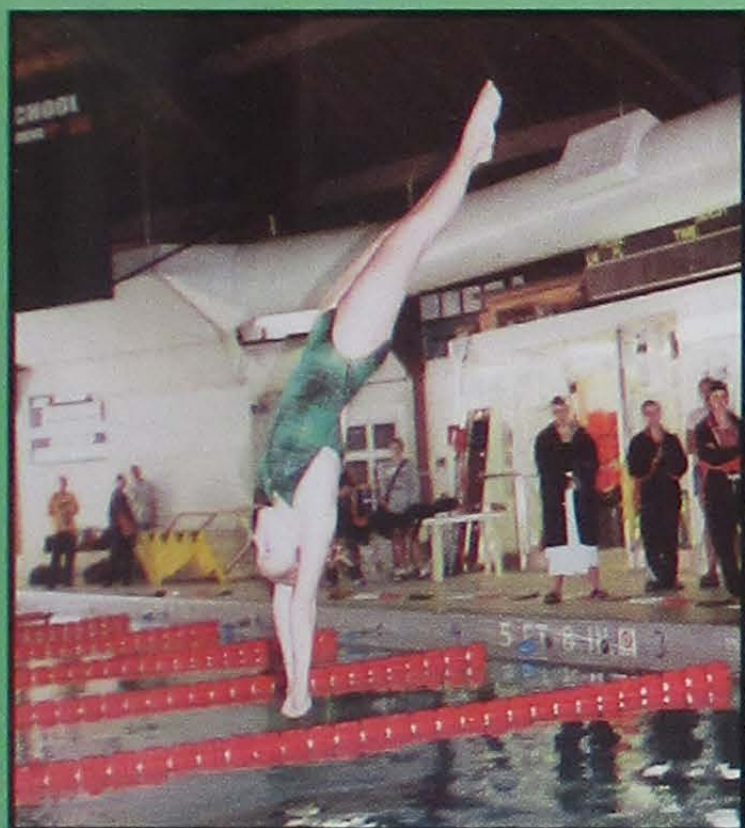
-Chemistry teacher **Ron Schuck**





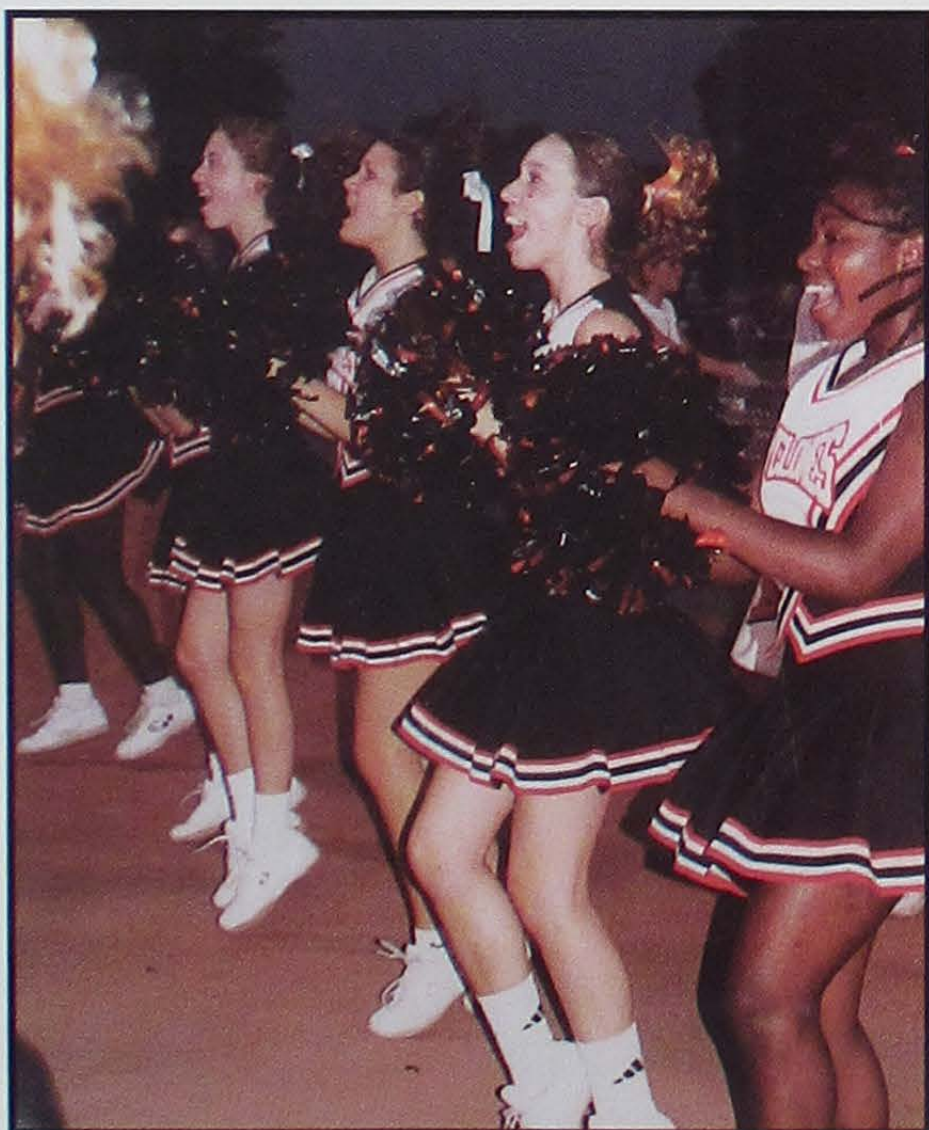
HUDDLE UP: Varsity members of the volleyball team huddle together before confronting their opponents, the Ankeny Hawkettes. "We were trying to get fired up for the game by singing songs," sophomore Julie McElroy said. Despite a commendable effort, the Little Cyclones walked away defeated. (photo by Allison Burke)

• RUN, BABY, RUN: At the Ames Invite, senior Erica Lynn sprints the last leg of her race, gaining on a runner from Bettendorf. "It was an exciting meet because we were up against a lot of really great teams," she said. Varsity runners from both the girls' and boys' cross country teams competed in the invite, which included teams from all over Iowa. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• OFF THE DEEP END: "I was really nervous," sophomore Shannon Kerper said of the first girls' diving competition of the year. "When you're diving, the audience has to be silent and everyone is looking at you. So if you mess up, everyone notices." The five member team would perform their gravity-defying feats in the middle of girls' swim meets. Swimmers would gather around the edges of the pool to watch and cheer for the divers. When competition was particularly stiff, the diving team would often contribute much needed points to the Little Cyclones' score, sometimes making the difference between a win and a loss. "The swim team and the diving team help each other out," Kerper said. "It's like a big family." (photo by Melisse Owen)

HEY, HEY, WE GOT SPIRIT: Ames High cheerleading pep squad members juniors Stephanie Melser, Stephanie Moore and Patricia Sawyer cheer on the Varsity football team in their game against Dowling. For many members of the squad, the game was their first experience cheering for a varsity team or event. For Moore, the best part of cheering for the first football game of the season was "starting a cheer and having a huge number of the student body join in with us." The Varsity pep squad was responsible for making and hanging many posters throughout the halls of the school which advertised the various competitions of different fall sports. The squad also spread some spirit to audiences who attended the JV football games held at home. "You really feel a part of the Ames community's spirit and, especially, encouraging the pride of the student body," Moore added. (photo by Melisse Owen)



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B/GF Marshalltown @ Home

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B/GF East @ Home
G/SW @ Ankeny
VB @ Ankeny

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9th FB Dowling @ Home
B&G/CC Ames Invite

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10th FB @ Dowling
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V VB Earlybird Tourn @ Home

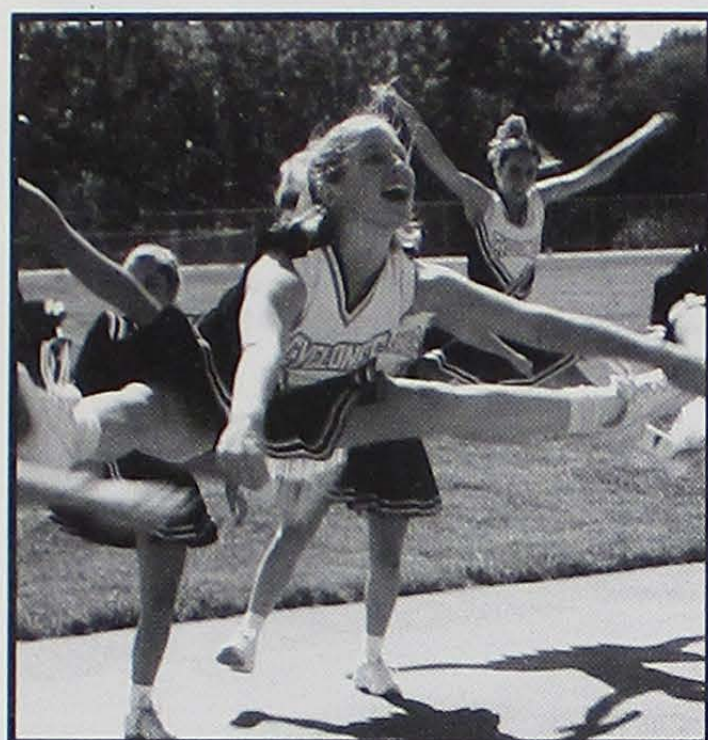
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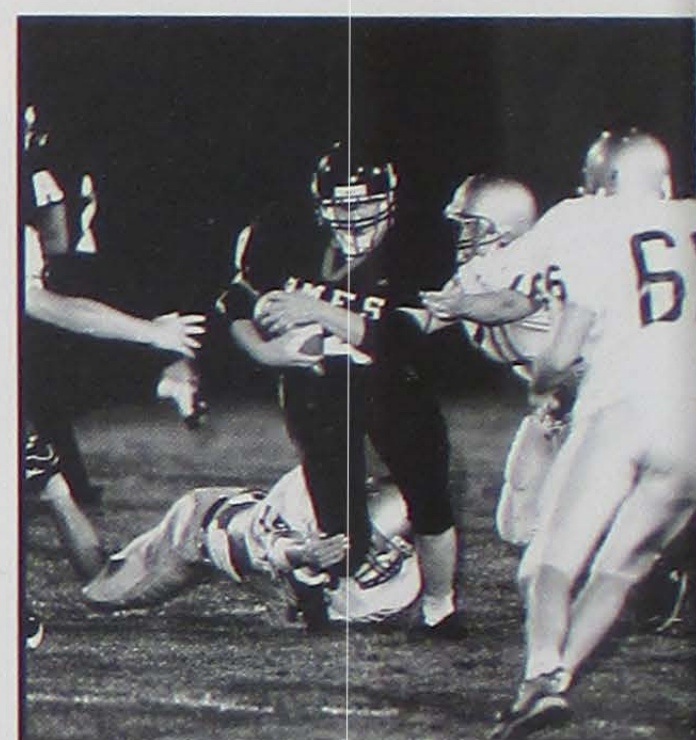
• **BRRRRRR:** Senior Abby VanMaaren talks with the competition during the "ice bucket" contest. One senior from each fall sport sat on the ice to compete for the Wettest Seat. "Too bad I'm so hot, I melted all the ice," VanMaaren said. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **SEAL OF APPROVAL:** Members of the Varsity football team cheer on their representative in the "ice bucket" contest at the pep assembly Monday. With assistance from water bottles thrown from teammates in the stands, senior Travis Knapp was awarded "Wettest Seat." (photo by Melisse Owen)



• **FLYING HIGH:** Senior Ann Benson catches some air during her cheerleading routine at Monday's pep assembly. "The dozens of jumps we did during practice really paid off when we jumped for the crowd," Benson said. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **WHO'S TOP DOG:** Senior members of the girls' cross country team don't seem too tired after their two mile run at Cedar Rapids. "It's really a stimulating sport," Carly Swanson said. "We're always trying to come up with new ways to slack." Despite attempts to take it easy, Ames was still able to place ninth out of the eighteen teams at the meet. The Cyclones competed against four of the top teams in the state. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **FOOTLOOSE:** Senior Elliot Dowling keeps his footing while dodging Lincoln High School's defensive line. "You can't stop me. You can only hope to contain me," Dowling said. Ames defeated their opponent, Lincoln, 35-13. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)

Got what it takes?

Team tailgate is more than flipping burgers and looking pretty. Do you have what it takes to be a member of this grade A team?

A bat is . . .

- A. a small furry animal who squeaks
- B. baseball equipment
- C. something completely different

What's the best half-time show?

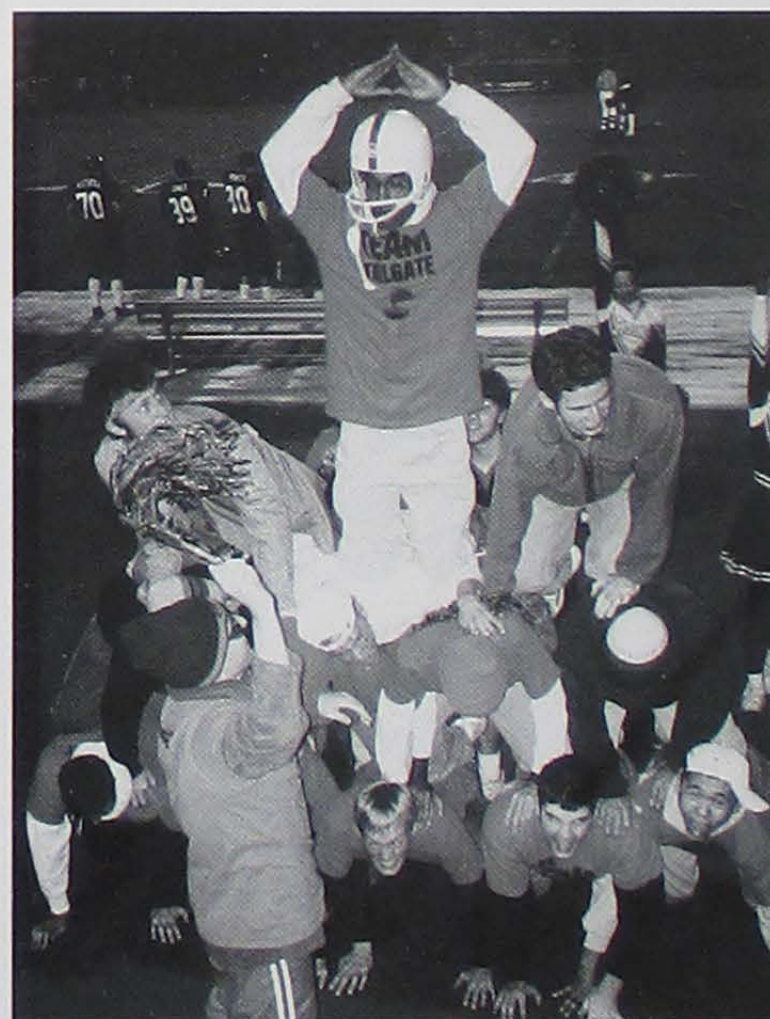
- A. cheerleaders
- B. the band
- C. cartwheels

What can you tolerate?

- A. annoying people
- B. immense back pain
- C. gigantic furry bats

How many grills does team tailgate have?

- A. 3
- B. 1
- C. 0

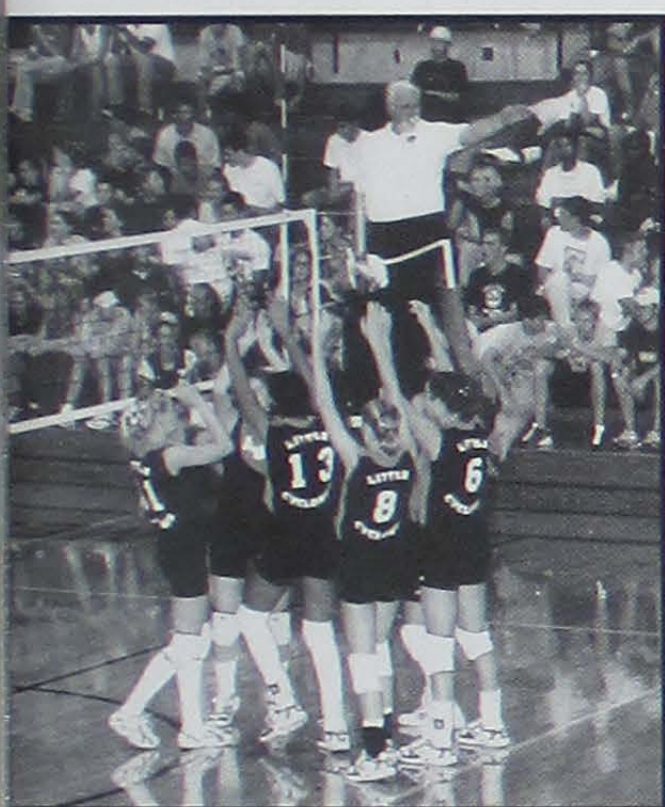


If you chose . . .
Mostly A's: You'd never cut it in the harsh world of tailgating.
Mostly B's: It would take many of nights of pyramid practice, but you might make it.
Mostly C's: If you wear orange, you're in.

• **TOPPING TEAM TAILGATE:** A new act was added to the half-time show at the first home football game. The human pyramid was just one of team tailgate's many stunts designed to get the crowd rowdy. "We own the cheerleaders," senior Peter Ringlee said. (photo by Amy Chung)

Ling

Hopes for a phenomenal senior football season were set aside for senior **David Ling**. His leg was broken in three places during the first game of the year. Just three hours after his release from a long stay in the hospital and surgery on Thursday, Ling, accompanied by his father, found his place at the sidelines. "It's unfortunate, but it's something that goes along with the sport," Ling said. If his recovery proceeded as expected, Ling planned to play in the last regular season game against Valley, coincidentally, at the field he was injured. Ling proceeded to take his place as a moral leader for the team, waiting for the injury to heal. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)



• **NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY:** The Varisty volleyball team members cheer each other on after senior **Jessie Kinyon's** block. "We like to let each other know that we're doing a good job," sophomore **Julie McElroy** said. "It keeps us working together with our heads in the game." Several of the varsity players commented that this year's team seemed to be more closely knit than teams of previous years. This may be attributed to the extra work put into basic skills practices. The team's focus at practice made it possible for them to play more fluidly. The Varsity team found it easier to anticipate each others next moves and work together. Kinyon's block was just one of the many spectacular maneuvers made in Ames' 15-7, 15-0, 15-0 win over East on Tuesday. (photo by Amy Chung)

• **COME ON, BABY, LIGHT MY FIRE:** After a dip in a tub of methane gas bubbles, senior **Jeff Hageman's** hands are set on fire by his chemistry teacher, **Aileen Sullivan**. The Chemistry classes were learned lab safety through the demonstration. "It's an 'ooh-aah' lab," Sullivan said. "It's designed to reinforce the fun side of chemistry while teaching students important safety rules." Hageman was definitely "oohed" and "aahed" by the demonstration, but it did not necessarily impact him as strongly with its safety values. "I am Prometheus," Hageman referring to Prometheus the Titan. In Greek theology, Prometheus was a Titan who brought down fire from Mount Olympus to the people. This act infuriated the gods who then sentenced Prometheus to an eternal punishment of having his eyes pecked out by crows. Better luck to you, Jeff! (photo by Rita Carter)



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JV FB Boone @ Home

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B/GF @ Lincoln
G/SW East @ Home
VB East @ Home

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9th FB @ Lincoln
B&G/CC @ Cedar Rapids
Invite
VB Johnston @ Home

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10th FB Lincoln @ Home
V FB Lincoln @ Home

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9A VB @ Urbandale Tourn
V VB @ Metro Invite
B&G/CC @ ISU Invite
B/GF @ Ames Invite
G/SW Ames Invite

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September

before

By
Julie
Prindle

the storm

Homecoming, a week full of decorated halls, body spells, band raids, and the Ames High fight song. A week of sky high toilet paper sales, parades, painted sidewalks and movie stars. Those who planned the week, however, were ready for it to be over even before it began.

"I just knew that by the time the week arrived the stress level would be really high. When Erica and Emily asked Amy and I to organize the grill-out I knew it was going to be hard, but not this hard," senior Grill-Out Co-Chairwoman **Lindsay Erickson** said. "In the middle of the night I'd wake up thinking of things I still had to do, like you can't have a grill-out without the grill," she added.

The amount of time it took for students to organize a week such as Homecoming was tremendous. Homecoming Co-Chairwomen, seniors **Erica Lynn** and **Emily Polich**, were chosen in the late spring of the 1999-2000 school year. Their committees met throughout the summer to plan fundraisers and events. Decorating the school alone for the start of the

week took over eight hours.

"It was difficult planning the week because we had to oversee so many people. It was really hard to know what was getting done and what wasn't," Lynn said.



Organizing the events wasn't the only tricky part of putting on the show.

"For Sara and I, being the Co-Chairpersons of the Coronation Committee was like preparing for four monumental events," junior **Andrew Goedeken** said. These events included the initial senior voting for the court, waking up the 2000 Homecoming Court, the voting by the entire student body and the Coronation Assembly. "The most difficult part was trying to be prepared for things that would come up during the week," he added.

Although the week before Homecoming 2000 was stressful for many committee members, the overall feeling before being taken to the movies was positive.

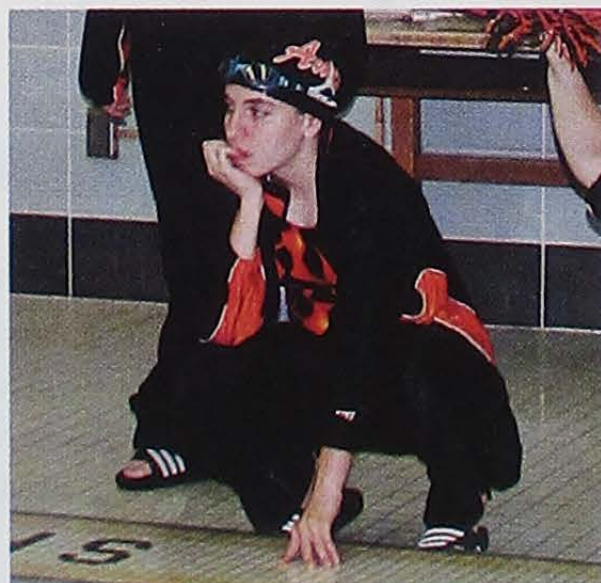
"We had a lot of great people on the Executive Committee and in the end it was all worth it," Lynn said.

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• **AMBUSHED:** Keeping their eyes on the ball, seniors **Chris Popelka** and **Carl Prater** make a tackle during their Junior Varsity football game against the Mason City Mohawks. "JV football is a great past-time because there's no pressure on us. We just go out there and have a good time," Prater said. Even though the game ended in a tie, the team members played their hardest and came away with a strong sense of fulfillment. (courtesy of Gary Clarke)

• **WAITING IN ANTICIPATION:** During an away meet, junior **Katie Adam** concentrates on her upcoming events as she watches her teammates swim their hardest and cheers them on during their events. "It was neat to swim against Lincoln High School since we had never had a dual meet with them before," she said. Swimming against new teams like the Lincoln Railsplitters kept the competition fresh and fierce for the team. The Little Cyclones got a kick out of watching the other teams try to win. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



LONG
winded students

Seniors
Erin Martin
and
Jessie Kinyon
and junior
Emily Gleeson



fight for the ball. "One of the best things about our volleyball team is the people. We always make sure to have a good time. I think that was a big factor in our success," Kinyon said. (photo by Amy Chung)



• **WILL YOU MARRY ME?:** During art teacher Susie Petra's class, senior Nathan Braymen concentrates intently on his jewelry piece for his Advanced Jewelry class. The piece was a ring that Braymen had designed and created. Braymen's skills and passion for the trade inspired him to apply to Iowa State to major in metal design. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

going the distance



"N*Sync is my inspiration; I run for them!" senior Meredith Mull said at the cross country meet in Cedar Rapids. (photo by Steph Brunia)



Sophomore Megan Greving and freshman Ambar De Kok pass by an opposing runner at the second Ames Invite. (photo by Allison Burke)



• **HERE WE GO AGAIN:** The full realization of another school year sets in when parents attended Back to School Night. Following their child's schedule, parents were given a chance to meet their child's teachers and experience a typical school day. Students assisted by directing the parents to the correct classrooms and keeping the refreshments in the media center filled. "I was asked by Mrs. DiBlasi to show the parents around. I just wanted to help out in any way I could," senior Nels Matson said. Matson was given the important task of manning the apple juice. (photo by Amy Chung)

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B/GF Mason City @ Home
G/SW @ Lincoln
JV FB Mason City @ Home
VB @ Lincoln

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Back-to-School Night

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B/GF @ Ft Dodge
9th FB North @ Home
B&G/CC Little Cy Invite

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10th FB @ North
V FB @ North

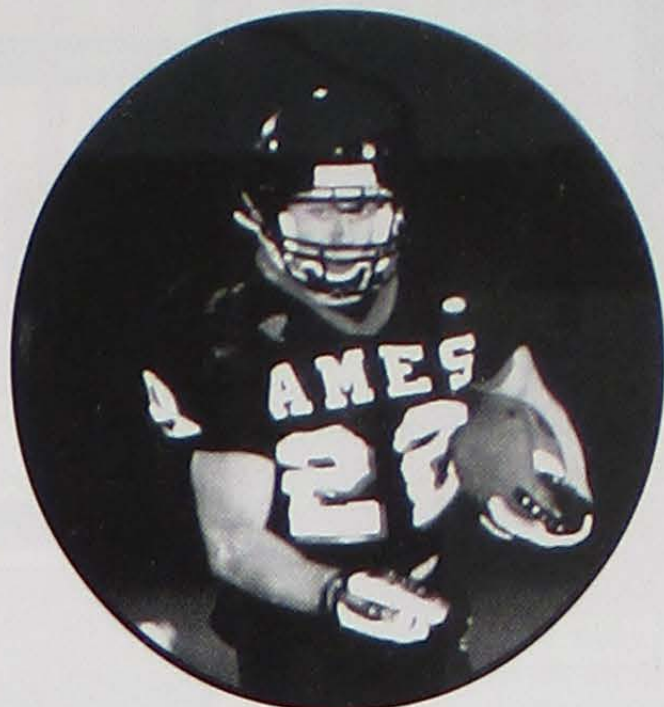
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V VB @ Ft Dodge
JV VB @ Gilbert Invite
G/SW @ Marshalltown

September



• **RIDE 'EM COWGIRL:** Junior Mandi Crawford rides on the back of senior Mike Nassif as they show their spirit wear during the homecoming kickoff assembly. The assembly featured examples of the special dress-up days during the week in addition to the annual class olympics and presentation of the homecoming court. (photo by Amy Chung)



• **THE WHOLE NINE YARDS:** Senior David Larson runs around the Sioux City West defense at Friday's football game. Sioux City West was defeated 42-19, and was unable to score until the third quarter. After the game, Ames High students crowded onto the field to sing "Loyalty" and celebrated their homecoming victory against the Mascots. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)



• **VOTE FOR ME:** Senior Angie Bennett began Prom Queen campaign early, advertising her intentions in the homecoming parade. Her partner, junior Sarah Hart, walked at her side to keep the hopeful Bennett cool. (photo by Mekemson)



• **HEATING UP THE DANCE FLOOR:** Senior Brandon Wall and sophomore Amy Brinkheide brought the house down at the homecoming dance while their friends cheered them on. (photo by Carter)

The Plan

Sunday

Students decorated the windows on Main Street

Monday

Student Council sold trinkets in the main lobby
Homecoming parade through downtown
Pep Rally

Tuesday

Homecoming Committee sold popcorn in the back lobby

Wednesday

Drill Team sold ice cream sandwiches during lunch

Thursday

Bonfire

Friday

Football game

Saturday

Grill Out at Brookside Park
Homecoming Dance

KING

Meet the Royalty

QUEEN

Brian Clark

What was your initial reaction when you found out you had won?

"I was really excited when they announced me as homecoming king. I hadn't thought of anything to say."

What do you plan to accomplish with your title?

"With my illustrious title I plan on buying a small country somewhere in the South Pacific and ruling over it. With my queen, if she so desires."



Elizabeth Talbert

What was your initial reaction when you found out you had won?

"The first thing I thought was, 'OK, who's making the joke?' After the initial shock wore off, it was really exciting; it was surreal."

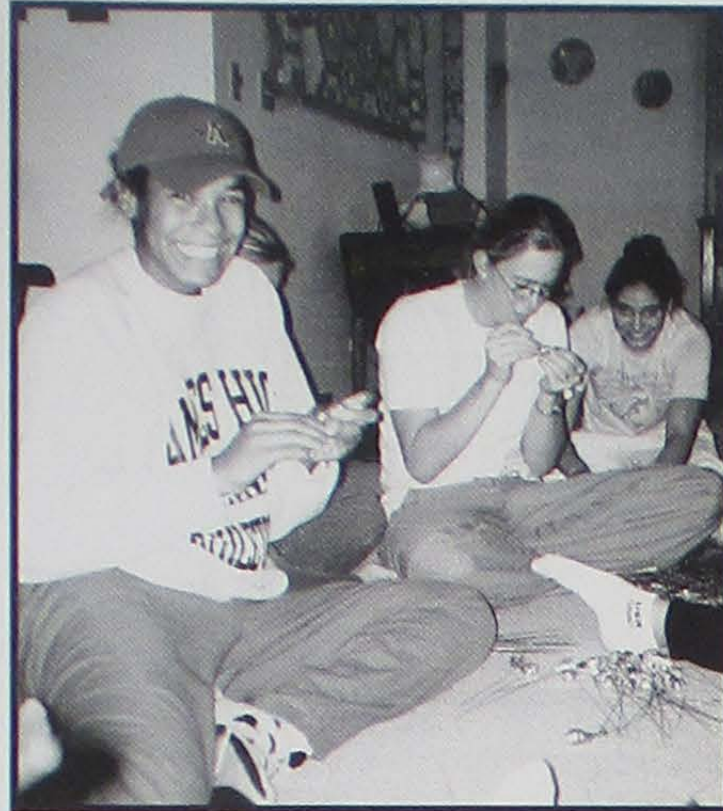
What do you plan to accomplish with your title?

"The first thing I will do is establish world peace. Then I'll eliminate hunger. After that, I'll sell my crown for the five dollars it's worth and buy a Happy Meal at McDonald's."





• **SELLING SMELLING SENSATIONS:** Seniors Erin Martin, Melissa Belz and Emily Polich relax as they make chocolate roses to be sent to homerooms. "Secret admirers" could buy the roses throughout the week to be sent to their crushes during homeroom, making the roses made the week more memorable for everyone. (photo by Amy Chung)



WE GOT THE BEAT: Senior Nate Staniforth leads the drumline during their warm-up before homecoming parade. The drumline practiced every week during the summer and on Monday nights in the fall so that the band could march to a steady beat. With all the time they spent together, drumline members formed tight relationships with one another. (photo by Rita Carter)



• **PULL, MATEYS, PULL:** Teachers Mark Jurgensen, Nancy Svien, Jerry Vos, Warren Lofgren, and Principal Mike McGrory struggle during a tug-of-war game against members of the senior class. It was their first-ever appearance in the annual class olympics. While the teachers put up a valiant effort, they eventually lost both the body spell and the tug-of-war to the seniors. Some disputed the fact that the seniors were indeed victorious over the teachers because the senior "referees" did not see twenty members of the senior class exit the stands to assist during the tug-of-war. The addition of the teachers to the class olympics was one of the many improvements to the year's homecoming festivities. (photo by Amy Chung)

DELICIOSO: Seniors David Elby, Bri Staff, Peter Acker and Amy Chung await their meals at Buca Di Beppo Restaurant. The party ate at the West Des Moines restaurant before heading to the Homecoming dance. "I've never had such an awesome time at a pre-dance dinner. The waiters even got the whole restaurant singing 'Happy Birthday' to me, which made the evening really memorable. Also, the portions were huge; when we were done eating, it looked like we'd hardly touched our plates," Chung said. The couples recommended the restaurant as being a festive place for any social gathering. Casual restaurants with lots of atmosphere, both the Des Moines and Ames locations were popular for students who chose to eat out before the dance. Some students, however, cooked dinner for their dates or employed their parents for the task. (photo courtesy of Briana Elby)



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B/GF @ Valley Classic Parade

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G/SW Valley @ Home
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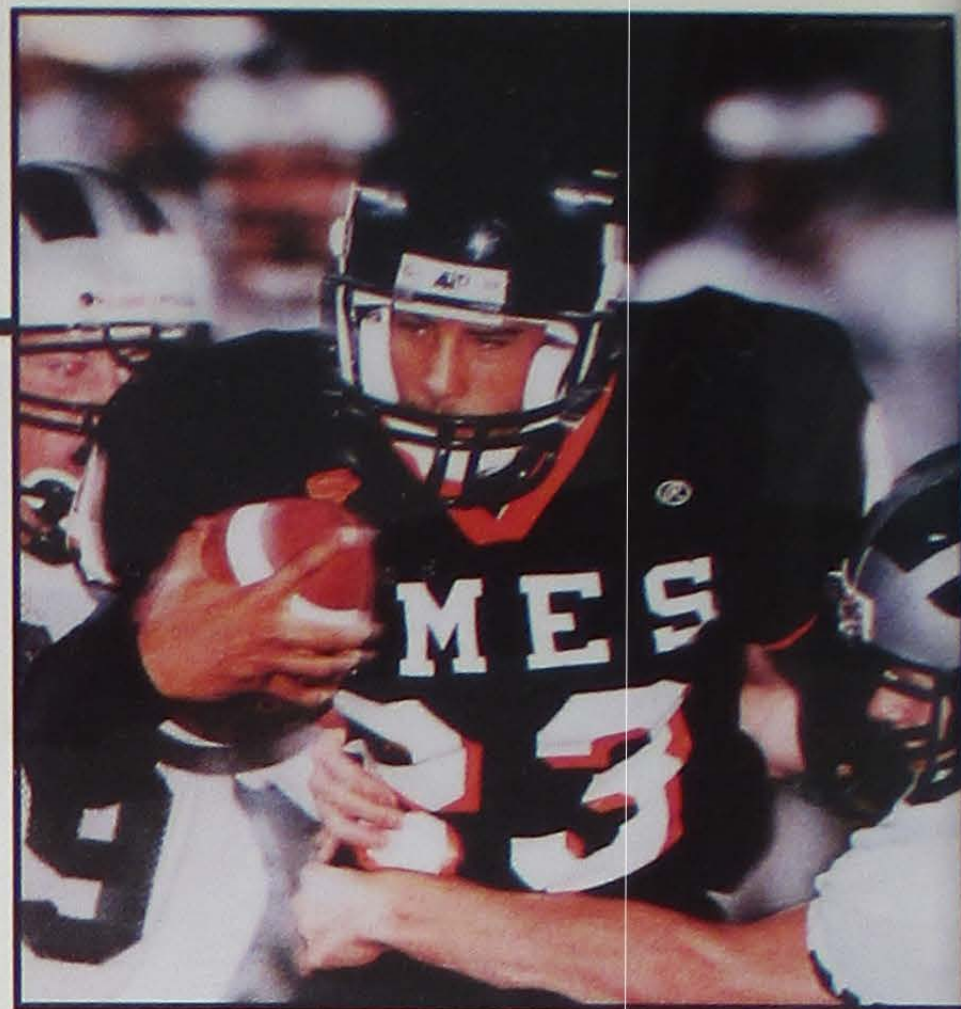
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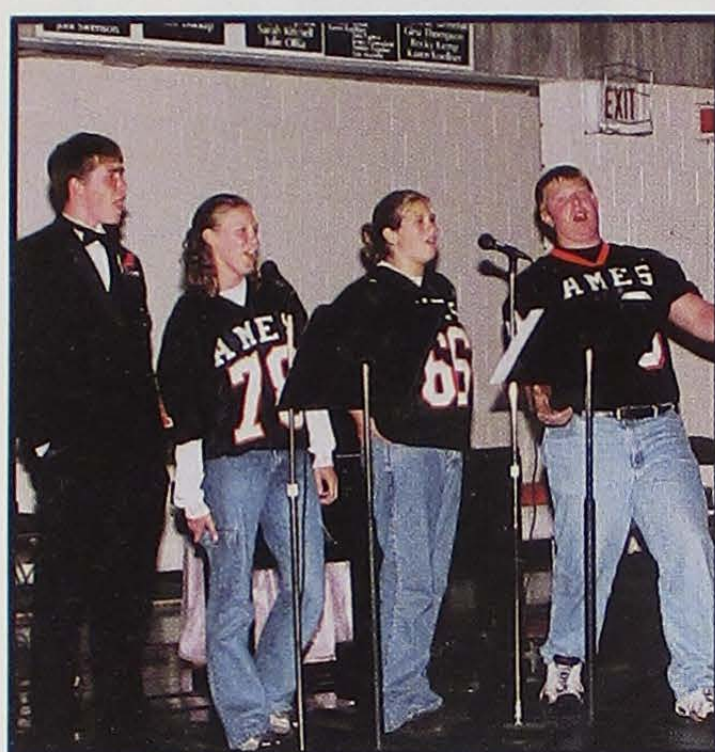
September



• **FAST AS YOU CAN:** Senior Eric Thompson drives past two Wolverine defenders during the Homecoming game. Determination such as Thompson's helped Ames win, 42-19. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)



• **I THINK I CAN:** Senior Elliot Dowling struggles to move the ball toward the endzone as the Wolverines gang up to deliver stiff competition. Despite the hard fight, Ames dominated throughout the game. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)



• **SINGIN' IN THE GYM:** Seniors David Melby, Carly Mortensen, Anna Duple and Chris Parrish jive to their own music as they perform a Broadway medley during the Coronation Assembly. The spirited production included *Singin' in the Rain* and *New York, New York*. (photo by Amy Chung)

• **SAY CHEESE:** Members of the royal court pose after the Coronation Assembly. Dolled up in their boas and bow ties, they arrived on stage via a long red carpet, just like movie stars. Surrounded by James Dean, Betty Gable, directors' chairs and the famous Hollywood sign, candidates tasted the glamour of being in the limelight. To help the effect, the girls wore old prom dresses and the boys rented traditional penguin suits. (photo by Amy Chung)



• **IT'S A DRAG:** "With all the comments I received, I must have looked pretty hot," senior Peter Ringlee said of his Christina Aguilera impression. Ringlee and senior Michael Nass dressed as Aguilera's arch-rival Britney Spears, announced the Homecoming king and queen. (photo by Amy Chung)

Are You a TP Guru?

Tradition is an important part of Ames High Homecoming. TPing is taken very seriously. Take this quiz to see if you help the cause.

The most TP for your money is:

- A. Charmin
- B. Green Forest
- C. Soft and Gentle

What is your outerwear for the task?

- A. White clothes and reflectors
- B. T-shirt and jeans
- C. Invisible spray

Pre-TP exercises include:

- A. Warm-up? What?
- B. Brisk jog to loosen up
- C. Learn the underground sewer system

The best way to TP a tall tree is to:

- A. Use a step ladder
- B. Rig a pulley system
- C. Fly



If you chose...

Mostly A's: On homecoming nights, you are better off studying for your upcoming algebra test.

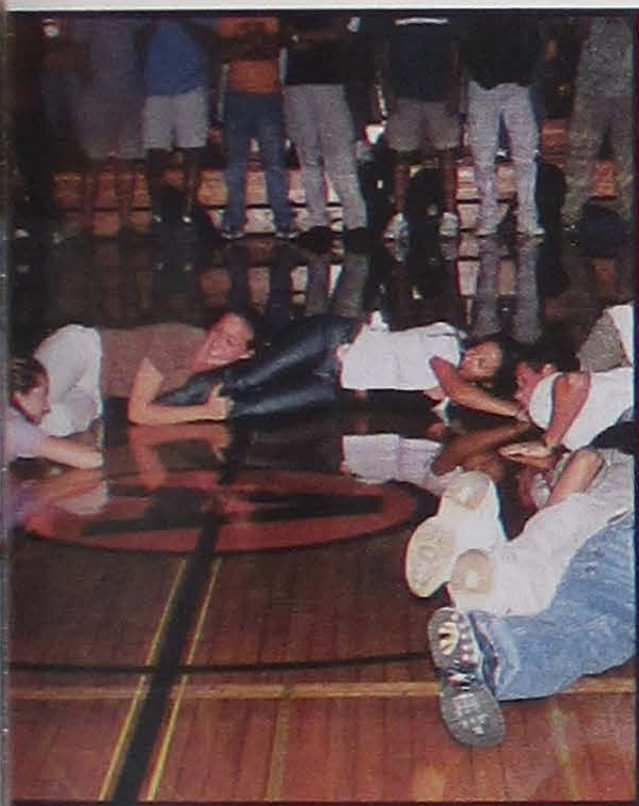
Mostly B's: You have the potential to be an expert in the field of TP, but be sure to have the essentials: i.e. flashlight, map and a top dog in the field (see below).

Mostly C's: You are a TP mastermind. Your initials are practically TP! We shouldn't be advising you; you taught us all we know.

• Seniors Ann Benson and Julie Prindle stock up on the essentials.

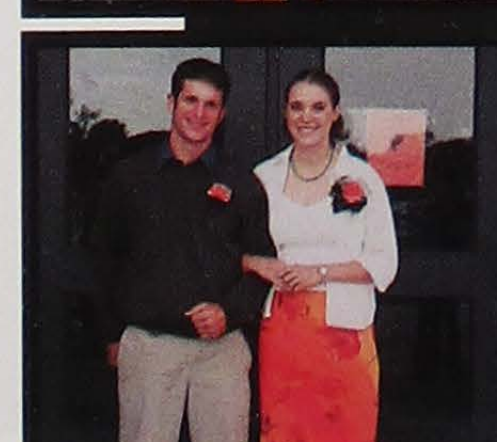
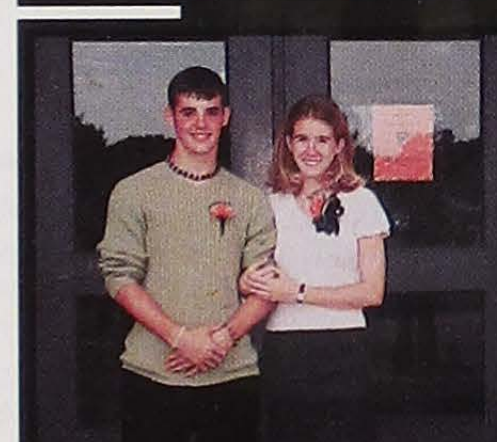
Oink!

Senior **Megan Curtis** pigs out on spaghetti and meatballs during the spaghetti eat-off. "I wanted to show everyone how much cheerleaders can eat!" Curtis said. Despite Curtis' monumental effort, senior **Erin Belcher** won the contest for the swimmers. (photo by Amy Mekemson)



WAX ON, WAX OFF: With the leftover window painting supplies, senior **Kira Shonkwiler** displays an encouraging message for the marching band on her car window. "Window painting was a new thing for me. I'm glad I finally got a chance to do it my senior year," Shonkwiler said. Homecoming activities got off to a spirited start as many students gathered Sunday afternoon to share their artistic abilities on the windows of downtown businesses. With their black, orange and white paint pens, students advertised events of the week, supported various athletic competitions and publicized the theme of Homecoming 2000. The decorated windows were intended to emphasize the festivities and be seen by the participants and spectators of the annual parade. (photo by my Mekemson)

• **HOOKED ON PHONICS:** Members of the senior class struggle to keep the tradition alive by winning all of the class olympics, including the ever-famous body spell. As usual, seniors were favored to win due to questionable calls made by moderators and fellow seniors. In the body spell, time was called prematurely, and in the tug-of-war, various seniors from the audience ran onto the floor to help pull the rope for a win when the seniors looked as if they would suffer defeat. Because of the limited amount of time allotted for the assembly, the relay race was omitted from the program, and a new team was added to the olympics: the faculty. To no one's surprise, the senior class finished in first place and the freshmen in dead last. The faculty came in second and an upset occurred when the sophomore class tied the junior class for third place. (photo by Amy Chung)



Homecoming

occupy

By
Stephanie
Brunia

your time

According to senior **Aubrey Brunia**, the perfect job should be more entertaining than educational. She thought that a job as a pizza delivery person would bring her a few laughs. "That way I could go to people's homes and see the disappointed looks on girls faces when they realize that I am not a hot delivery boy," Brunia said.

Instead of delivering hot pizzas, Brunia worked as a sales associate at JC Penney in North Grand Mall. Brunia spent most of her evenings selling clothing, restocking shelves and telling customers to "Have a nice day."

"I love my job," Brunia said. "True, I don't always enjoy it, but who really

does? That wouldn't be normal."

Like most teens her age, Brunia had what is classified as a typical high school job. By general definition, a high school job involves working evenings and weekends for minimum wage (\$5.15 / hour).

High-schoolers were capable of obtaining a variety of different jobs if they had a good work ethic and an upbeat attitude.

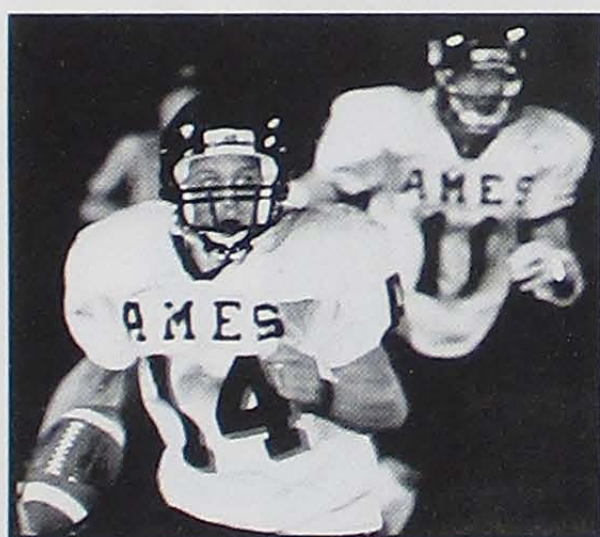
"When we hire someone, we look for work experience, availability and attitude," said **Pat Olinger**, the JC Penney

personel supervisor. "Our main focus is on customer service."

"My job has taught me many things," Brunia said. "It's really been a great experience for me."



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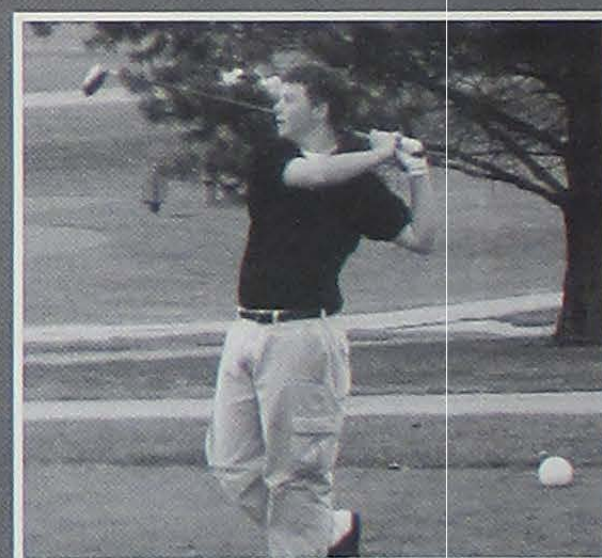
• **WITH A WINK AND A SMILE:** Junior **Chase Winkey** intercepts a pass thrown by Mason City's Jeff Horner. Winkey then proceeded to return the ball 70 yards for one of Ames' six touchdowns. "Playing away at Mason City is hard," Winkey said. "Not many of our fans can make the two hour drive so all we can hear is the Mohawk fans shouting." Despite a little home-sickness, the team still played well, defeating their opponents by a final score of 40-7. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)

• **GOING FOR THE GOLD:** Senior **Roya Maghsoodi** warms up her freestyle stroke before the swim meet against Mason City. "I love swimming more than anything else in the world. Nothing compares to the exhilarating, powerful rush you get when you've just out-touched someone at the end of a race," Maghsoodi said. The girl's swimming team "out-touched" the Mason City Mohawks by a long shot, resulting in a suprising upset. "This season our team really pulled together and everyone swam well," she said. (photo by Melisse Owen)

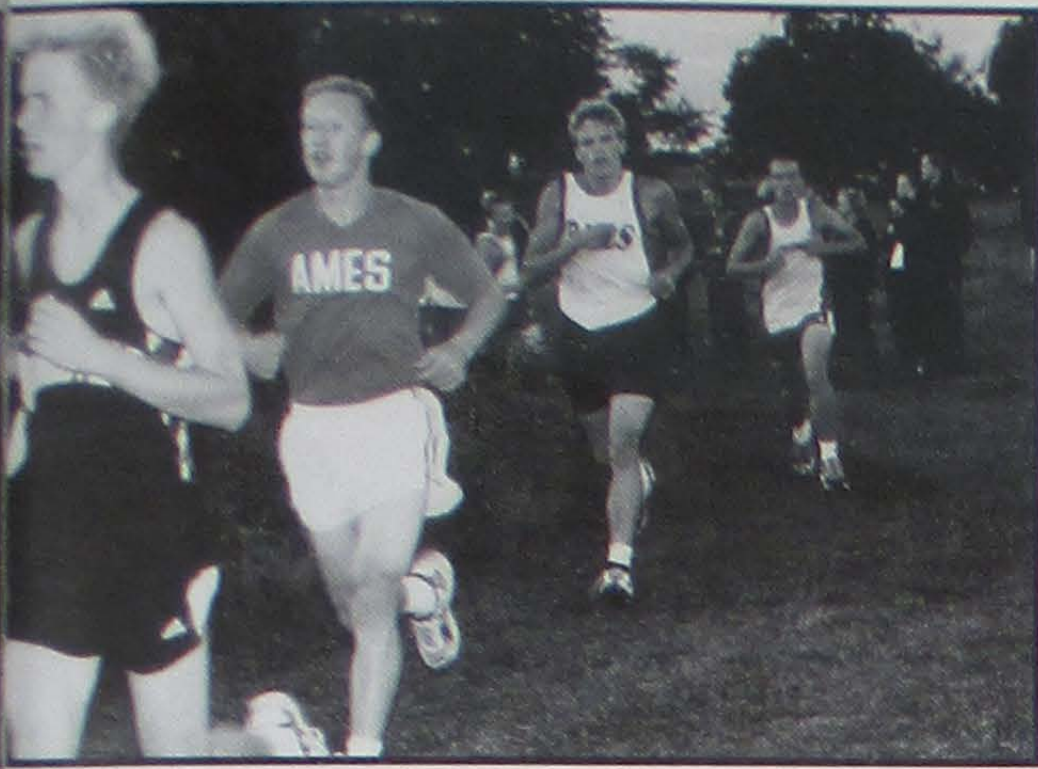


LONG winded students

"For a dry, hilly, unkept course [Newton] we played well as a team,"



sophomore **Lindy Ellett** said. Ellett shot a 41 to aid the Junior Varsity team to their first place finish at conference. Varsity placed sixth. (photo courtesy of Mitchell Ridnour)



• **PUSHING FORWARD:** Senior Nels Matson returns to the cross country team after spending his junior year playing football. Matson believed that the conditioning provided by cross country demanded more discipline and effort than the football conditioning program. "My favorite parts of cross country were finishing races and going to pasta dinners," he said. (photo by S. Brunia)

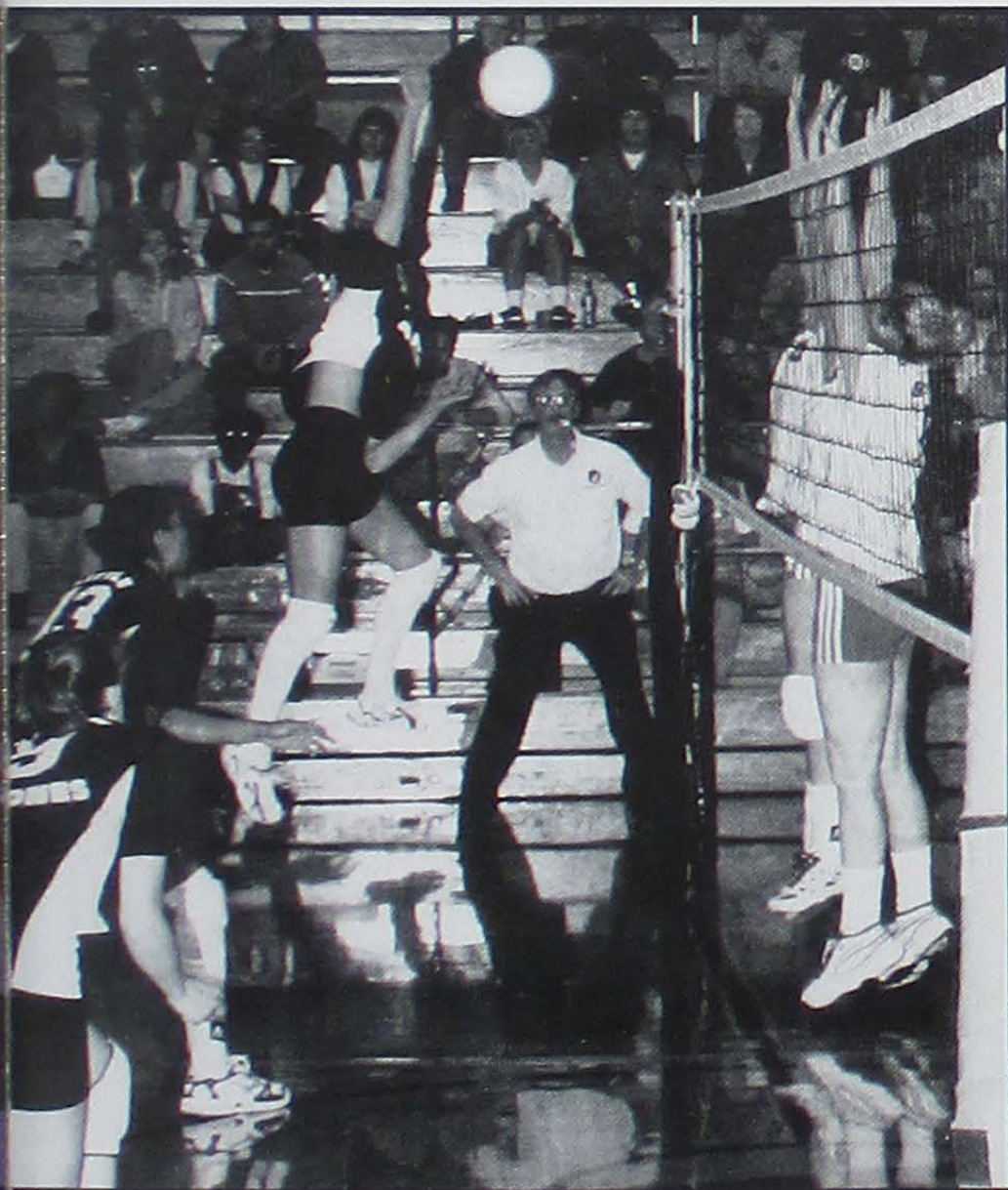
acting up



Senior **Margie Mathison** comforts the dying Alcestis (senior **Patricia Smith**) during their Honors English 12 presentation. "The 'Scarf of Death' got me," Smith said. (photo by Carter)



Injured runner junior **Bernadette Wilson** watches from the crowd as the rain drizzles down on her teammates. "I'd take an umbrella over a two mile run any day," Wilson said. (photo by Brunia)



• **SHE'S GOT UPS:** Sophomore **Andrea Otteman** dishes out trouble to her opponents across the net, the Marshalltown Bobcats. Her spike was successful, earning her team another point. "I *can* get up there," Otteman said of her verticle jumping abilities. The Varisty volleyball team played Marshalltown to five games, winning three of them for the match. "Marshalltown provided us challenging competition, and not many teams have done that," Otteman said. The tournament at Marshalltown was one of the four matches the team won that week. (photo by Amy Chung)

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JV FB @ Dowling
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G/SW Mason City @ Home
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VB Mason City @ Home

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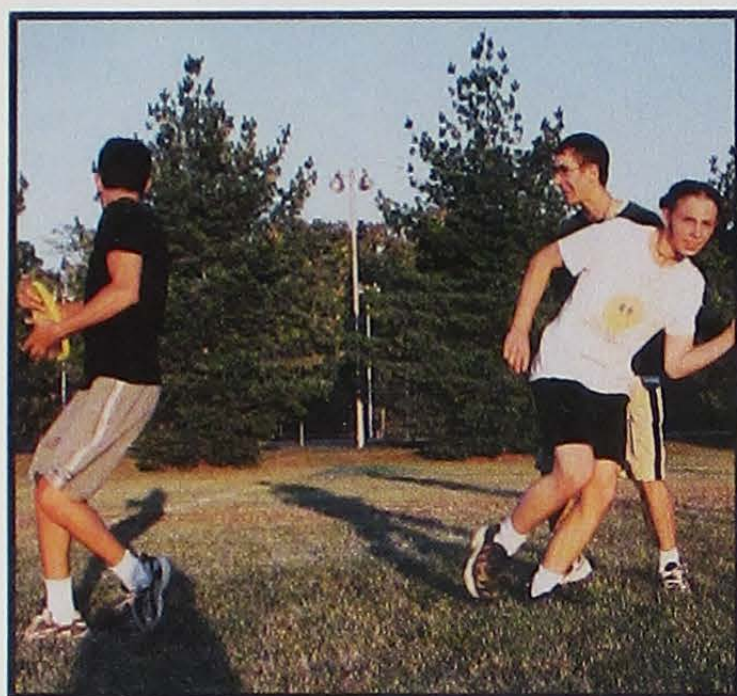
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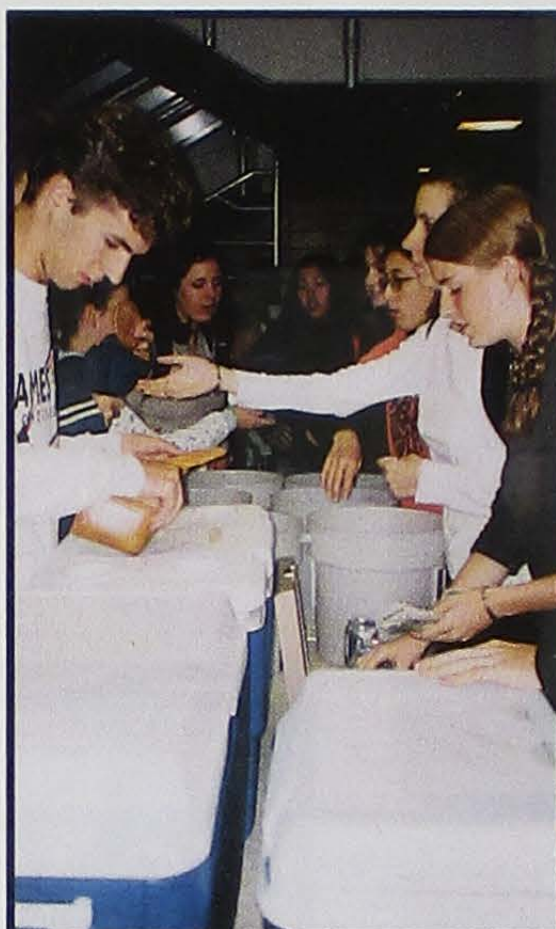
• **ROLE PLAYING:** Seniors Travis Knapp and Chris Konopa converse during the Fort Dodge game on Friday. "At this point in the game I was explaining to Konopa how to play linebacker," Knapp said. (courtesy of Gary Clarke)



• **PRETTY IN PINK:** Junior Katie Brannan wraps herself in a blanket while playing her trombone during the Varsity football game. "Pink blankets are warm!" Brannan said. (photo by Amy Mekemson)



• **GO LONG:** Seniors Mark Jacobson, Ryan Seiler and junior Steve Diesburg play ultimate frisbee on Thursday. "I go so I can prepare for the flying saucer people," Jacobson said. (photo by Steph Brunia)



• **SHOW ME THE MONEY:** Senior Brian Anderson supports SADD by buying a Do Biz cookie. "During the school year we have several fundraisers. This money goes toward projects to raise awareness of SADD," Anderson said. (photo by A. Chung)

What are good questions to ask on a college visit?

Compiled by Amy Mekemson and Susie Goldman

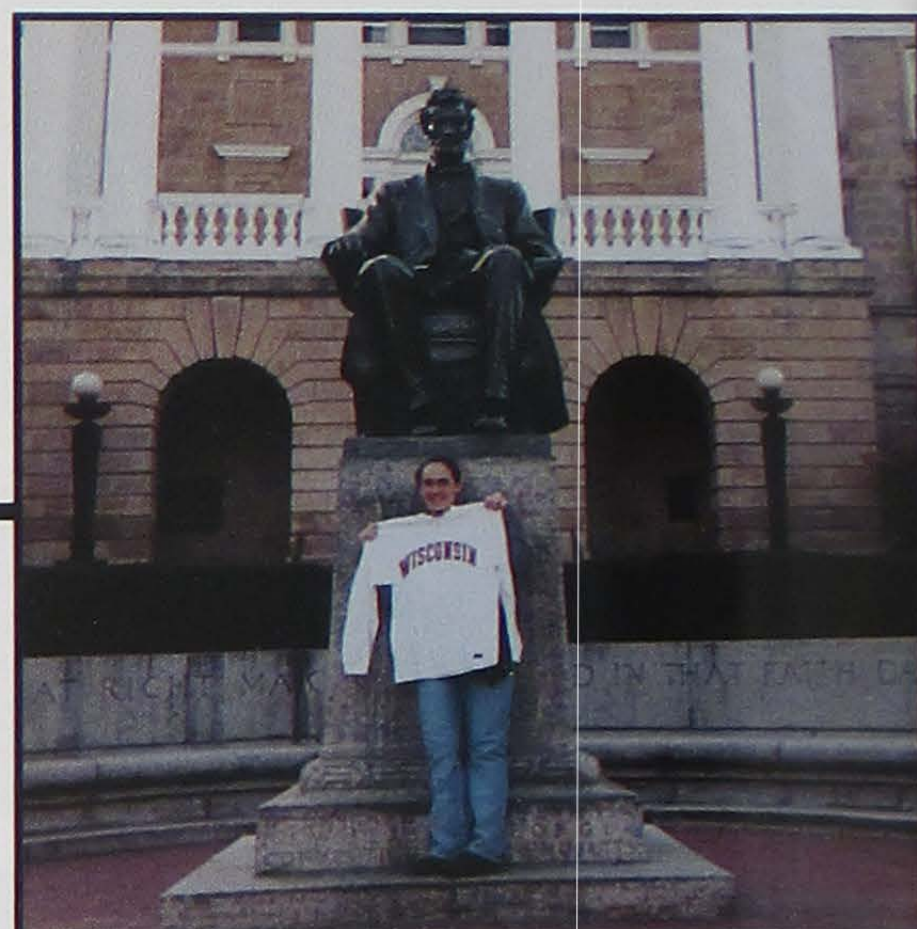
"Are there enough outlets for my curling iron AND my blow dryer?"
-senior Andy Seiler

"What is your college's girl to guy ratio?"
-senior Craig Johnson

"Why is your university more awesomer than other ones?"
-senior Dipayan Mitra

"How's the drinking water?"
-senior David Melby

"Do I have to be a freshman?"
-senior Meridith Morgan



STATE

Are you in or out?

PRIVATE

University of Iowa

- The University of Iowa chooses applicants based on two criteria:
 1. rigor of high school curriculum taken by applicant
 2. class rank
- The University of Iowa believes that class rank directly correlates to the applicant's GPA.
- The University of Iowa does not consider standardized testing scores unless the applicant was not in the top half of his/her graduating class.
- The high school that the applicant graduated from does not have any impact on admission.
- The amount of financial aid that the applicant needs while attending U of I has no impact on admission.

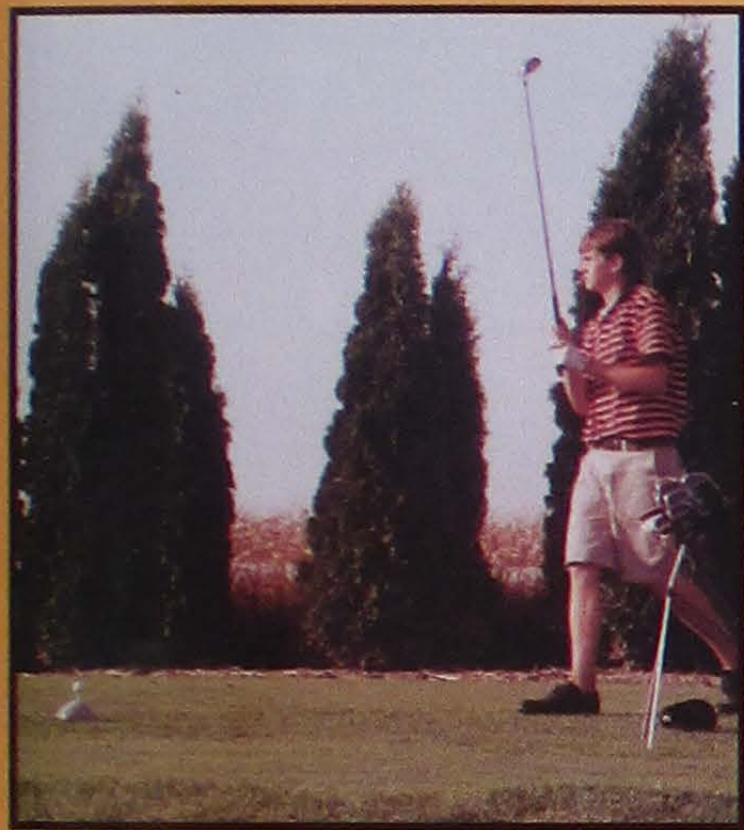
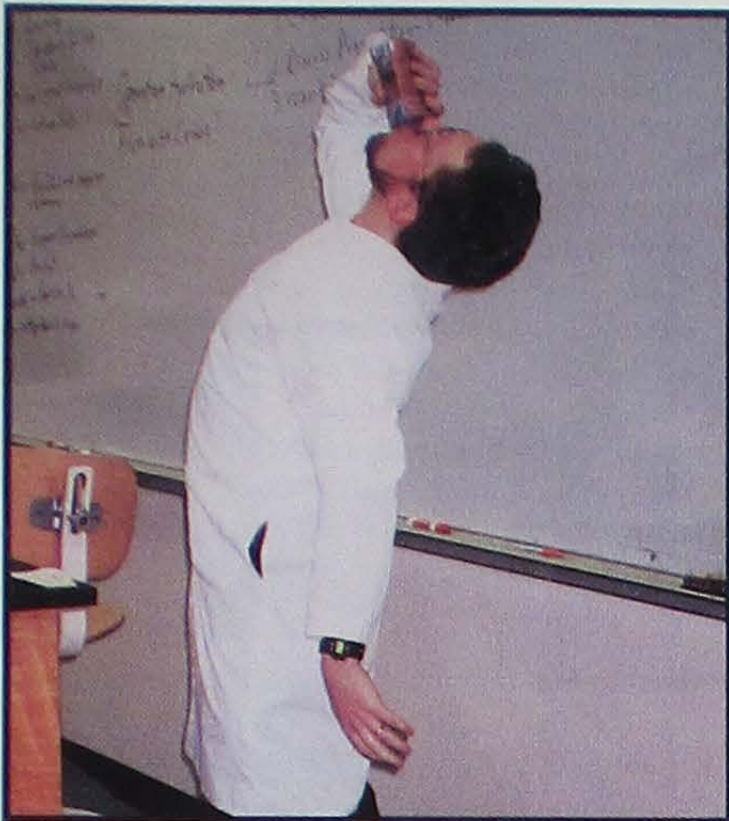
- Northwestern University chooses applicants based mainly on the applicant's academic profile and academic rigor. This includes the level of course difficulty taken in high school and AP/Honors grades compared to grades in regular classes.
- Northwestern University does not directly consider applicant's GPA but does look at standardized testing scores if needed.
- The high school that the applicant attended is not taken into consideration.
- The amount of financial aid needed is not considered during the admissions process.

Northwestern University



• **FLY LIKE A SWIMMER:** During the girls' swim meet at Fort Dodge, sophomore **Mary Gilarsky** swims the butterfly stroke. Gasping for air, Gilarsky races to complete one of her two lengths of the butterfly in the 200 individual medley. Her extreme concentration and dedication to the sport was typical of the year's swim team, leading to an overall successful season. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

• **CHUG-A-LUG:** Preparing to run in the Twin Cities Marathon the next day, chemistry teacher **Ron Schuck** chugs a can of Power Dream Chocolate, a highly concentrated carbohydrate drink, while his students cheer him on. An avid runner, Schuck rose at 5 a.m. every morning to run a route from South to North Ames. Out of 5900 runners, Schuck placed 1444, running 26.2 miles in a time of 3:42:24. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **FOR THE FORE:** Senior **Jason Garwood** approaches the tee during the boys' state golf meet. Lining up his shot, Garwood focuses on the course with intense concentration. Although many of the varsity letter winners graduated last year, the boys' golf team quickly adapted to the changes and replaced their graduated veterans' expertise with fresh faces on the green. The returning seniors boosted the team's success and carried important leadership responsibilities. "This was our fourth consecutive year going to the state golf meet, so it showed that we were a talented team. We did not do very well at conference, but we placed 6th at state. So, overall, we had a successful season," Garwood said. (courtesy of Mitchell Ridnour)

• **TASTES LIKE CHICKEN:** Seniors **Patricia Smith**, **Brynn Deiter**, and sophomore **Mikki Colbert** devote their Saturday morning to making props for the fall play, *Our Hearts Were Young and Gay*. They spent their morning making paper-maché fruit using paper towels. "Because the school doesn't supply us with paper towels, we had to steal them from the bathrooms," Deiter said. The hours they contributed were counted toward the minimum of 100 hours required for Thespian membership. "I was so excited when I found out that I made the play. Meeting on Saturday mornings to work on the props was a great opportunity to get to know the past members better. I had no idea how much work all this would be. But at the same time, it's been a lot of fun. I look forward to seeing the final product," Colbert said. (photo by Amy Chung)



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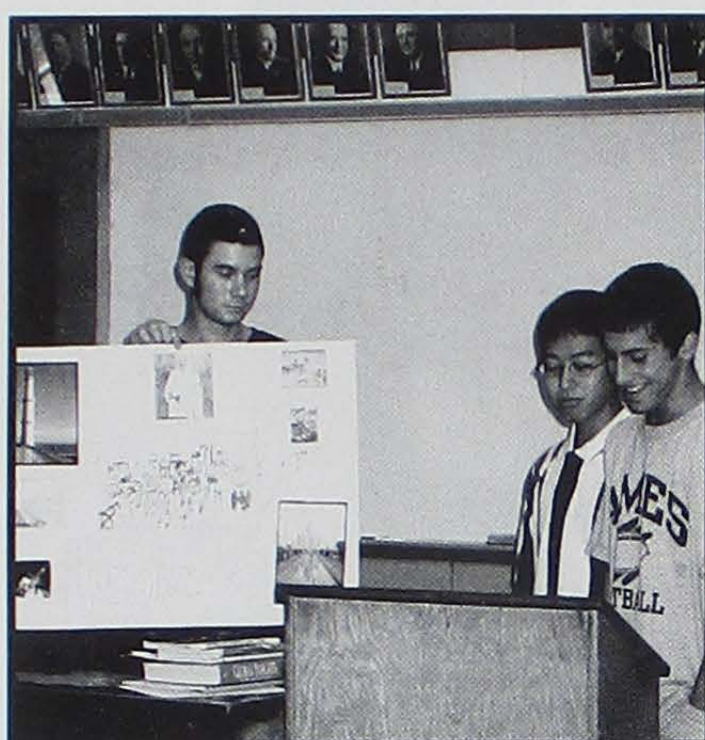
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October



• **20,000 LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA:** Freshman Kelly Butler practices her flip turns in her lane. "My lane became good friends. We decided to make t-shirts to represent lane 9. Target and Jo-Ann Fabrics were our primary shopping joints," Butler said. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **IN SEARCH OF ATLANTIS:** Freshman Emily Stark shows off her perfect form while practicing her diving skills. Freshmen filled their first year full of memories. "My favorite memory was on the last day when we got to swim relays across the lane lines. All the underclassmen had to make up a dive and perform it on the board. The seniors kept score and promised belly flops a perfect 10," Stark said. (photo by Melisse Owen)



• **I SEE LONDON, I SEE FRANCE:** Freshmen Ben Ward, John Park and Eric Ledet present a project concerning the British invasion of India during social studies teacher Brent Estrem's class. While presenting, Ward was reminded that "a smile a day keeps the British away." (photo by Rita Carter)

• **CATCH YOU LATER, ALLIGATOR:** Junior Daniel Habhab dodges to the right and swiftly passes a Marshalltown defender. An offensive line team member cleared a path for him, showcasing the exceptional teamwork that proved to be an asset throughout the game. With the strong combination of a trusty defense and fast offense helped Ames shut out Marshalltown with an amazing 34-0. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)



• **TIME'S UP:** Senior Rachel Tapper hugs parents as they present balloons to her during senior night. The parents of the senior volleyball players honored their daughters for the four years of hard work and dedication to sport. (photo by Amy Chung)

Are You a FANatic?

Many students supported the football team at various times throughout the season, but were you a true Ames High football FANatic?

The final score:

- A. Is all you can think about until the next game.
- B. What score? I go to see the band.
- C. I'm glad when they win, but my life goes on.

How many jersey numbers did you know?

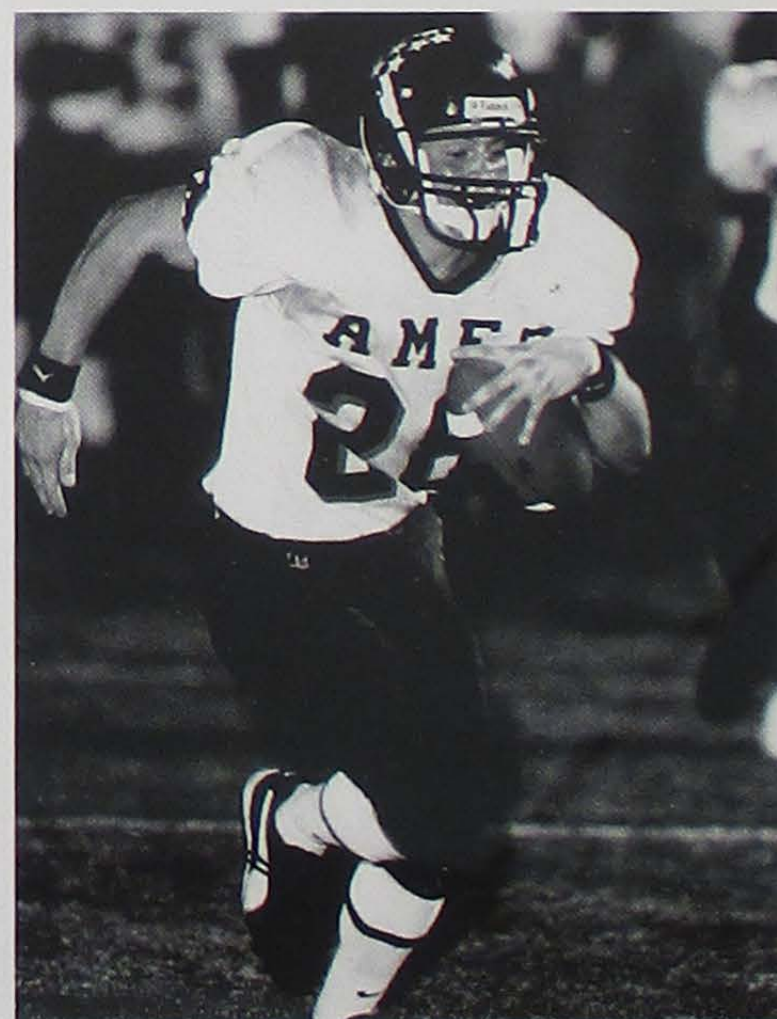
- A. All of them, duh!
- B. There are numbers?
- C. I know my friends'.

What position did Graham VanHorn play?

- A. Quarterback and captain!
- B. Goalie?
- C. I know he's important!

What time did the games start?

- A. 7:30 p.m., 28 seconds.
- B. 10:00 p.m. or something?
- C. Friday night.



If you chose . . .
Mostly A's: You are a world-class FANatic. You practically own the team.

Mostly B's: Are you even conscious during the games?

Mostly C's: You are an average fan with the potential to become a FANatic.

• **SON OF A GUN:** Senior Adam Brown streaks across the field during at Marshalltown. He tightly gripped the ball in hopes of making a touchdown. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)

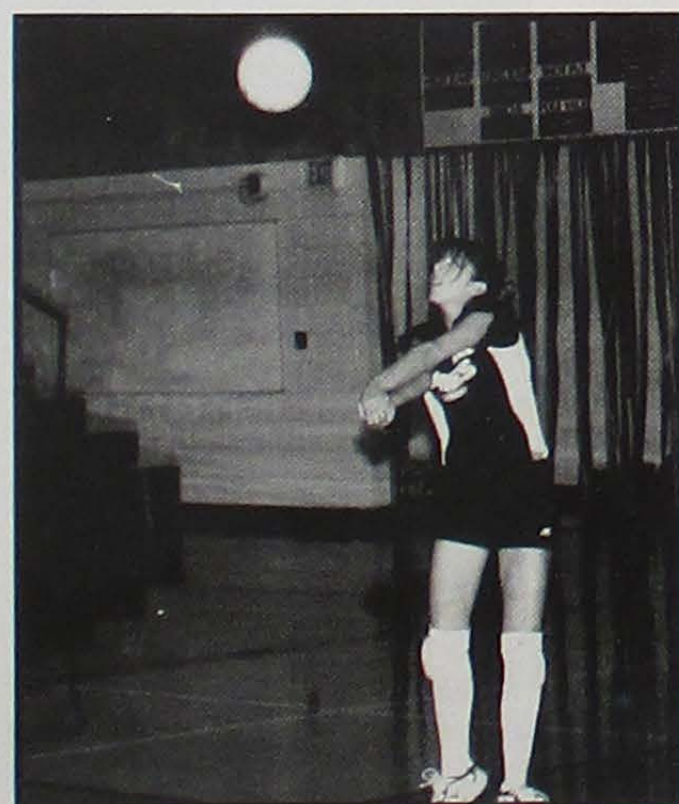
Yum!

Seniors **Billy Warren, Jim Cain, Jason Huls, and Kole Agbaje** dine at Jimmy John's during their extensive lunch hour. "Being able to go out for lunch is an awesome privilege for seniors. It's my favorite part of the day," Agbaje said, digging into his sub. (photo by Amy Chung)



• **SUNSHINE, LOLLIPOPS AND RAINBOWS EVERYWHERE:** Senior **Mattea Wayne** takes advantage of the sunlight to warm her legs before the conference cross country meet at Marshalltown. "The sunshine made me want to strip," Wayne said. The sun not only made runners want to bask in the sunlight, but it also helped them run faster. The Varsity and Junior Varsity placed fourth and second respectively out of the 6 teams present. Sophomore **Tracy Hawley** finished first for Ames' Varsity team, placing fifth overall in the competition. Her finish earned Hawley first team all-conference recognition. Senior **Julie Reger** also earned all-conference recognition; she was awarded second team all-conference for finishing in the top fourteen runners. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

• **AIR FORCE ONE:** Senior **April Wissink** concentrates on her form as she bumps the volleyball. Concentration such as Wissink's helped the Cyclones win an exciting and intense game against Marshalltown, 3-2. The leadership of seniors **Rachel Tapper, Erin Martin, Jessica Kinyon, Lisa Corley, and Wissink** not only helped the team against Marshalltown, but also for the whole season. "This season has been unbelievable for all of us. The team has a great sense of senior leadership and we all play really well together. Having a smaller team gives us a chance to get to know our team members a lot better. I know that with the talent this team has, we'll get pretty far; hopefully even to state," Wissink said. Because it was their last home match, the win was especially momentous for sentimental seniors like Wissink. (photo by Amy Chung)



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JV FB Ankeny @ Home
VB @ Valley
100th Green Butterfly
Recycling

G/SW Marshalltown @
Home
VB Marshalltown @ Home
PAC Mtg

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100th Green Butterfly Mtg

B&G/CC @ Conf (M'town)
9th FB Marshalltown @
Home
G/SW @ Newton

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10th FB @ Marshalltown
V FB @ Marshalltown

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10th VB @ Indianola

October

wind

By
Greg
Payne

of change

It was the time of year when all of the leaves were changing to colors of bright orange and crimson. It was as though we were in the midst of another typical fall. However, it didn't seem quite so ordinary for the 2001 senior class. "I can't believe I'm already a senior; I've been waiting for this year ever since I started school," senior **Marcus Mitchell** said.

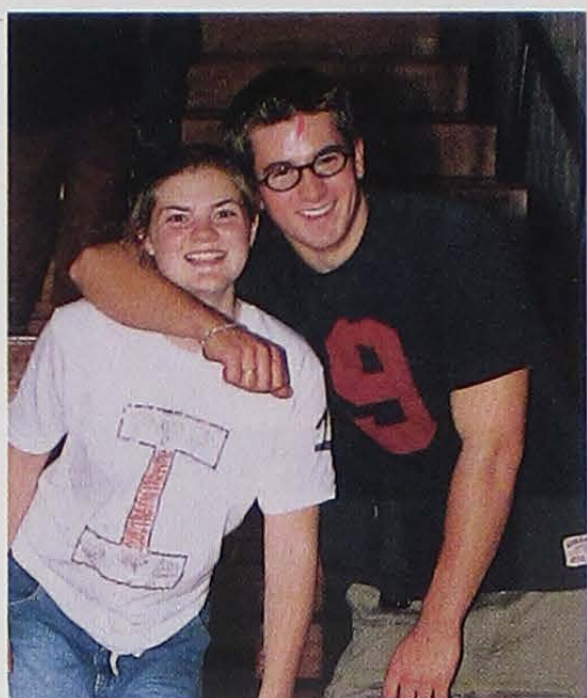
Many seniors only took a few core classes, leaving more free time for independent studying, or "senior slacking" as some have called it. This care-free attitude was prevalent in the classroom and was typical of the study habits of seniors; however, this same attitude didn't apply when it came to

making future plans.

Whether seniors were taking those wonderful standardized tests, fighting the snooze button in the morning, or filling out countless college application, the feelings of stress that came from an undetermined future were inevitable. "Plans for next year? I'm really not sure," senior **Jasper MacDonald** said.

Although future plans and countless responsibilities were always in the back of the minds of seniors, the number of days until graduation still seemed in-

finite and having a good time always took priority. More important than the "A" we miraculously pulled off in A.P. Western Civ was the time spent creating lasting memories with our friends.

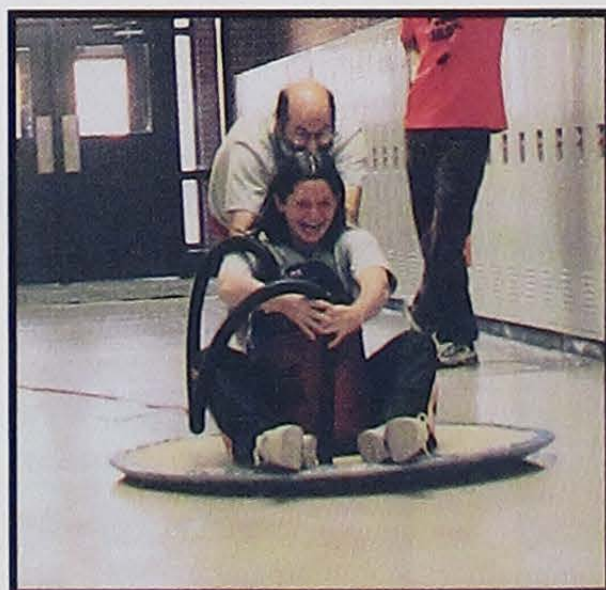


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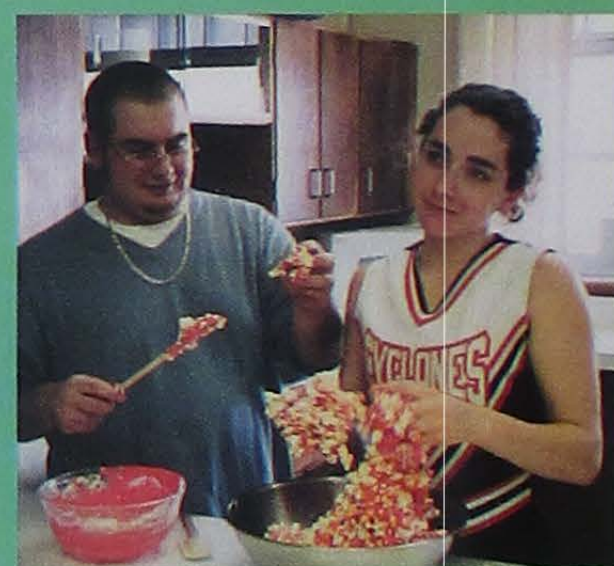
• **BALANCING ACT:** Junior **Shilpa Reddy** demonstrates physicist Isaac Newton's first law of motion by balancing a stack of pennies on her elbow. She then snapped her elbow back as quickly as possible, attempting to catch the pennies in her hand. The experiment was performed as part of physics teacher **Jeff Dilks'** class, and was useful in relating the everyday impact of physics on student's lives. "I think it's great that we can relate physics laws to real life situations," Reddy said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

• **BEAM ME DOWN THE SCIENCE HALL, SCOTTIE:** "We were learning Newton's first and second laws of physics - inertia and motion," junior **Rachel Marek** said. "It was more fun than shooting the monkeys, but Mr. Gibbons yelled at me." Experiments in **Jeff Dilks'** physics class ranged from shooting monkeys to riding down the science halls on a home-made hovercraft. Courtesy of physics teacher **Dr. Mike "Doc P." Petersen**, the machines were built by connecting a plastic tarp, plywood, a vacuum cleaner and lots of duct tape. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

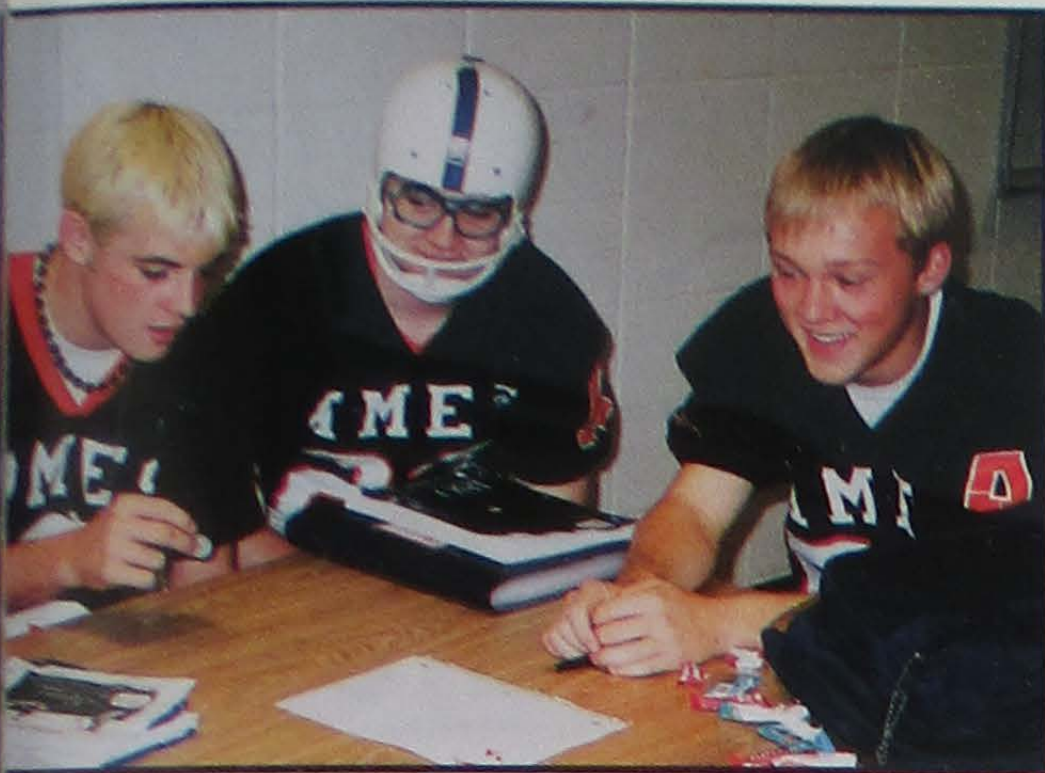


LONGwinded students

Seniors
Matt
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and
Kelley
Kunz
experiment
with different



food combinations during **Margaret Strasser's** foods class. "It was gross. I couldn't even get my hands unstuck from them. And then we had to eat it. For your information, it's never a good idea to add Jello to popcorn balls."



• **WHAT'S YOUR NUMBER:** Seniors Travis Knapp, Jeff Hageman and Steve Anderson relax during a free period. "We wanted to show all the jersey-wearing girls that it's worthless for them to hold a popularity contest every week," Hageman said, referring to the girls that wore the jerseys of a varsity football player on game days. (photo by Rita Carter)

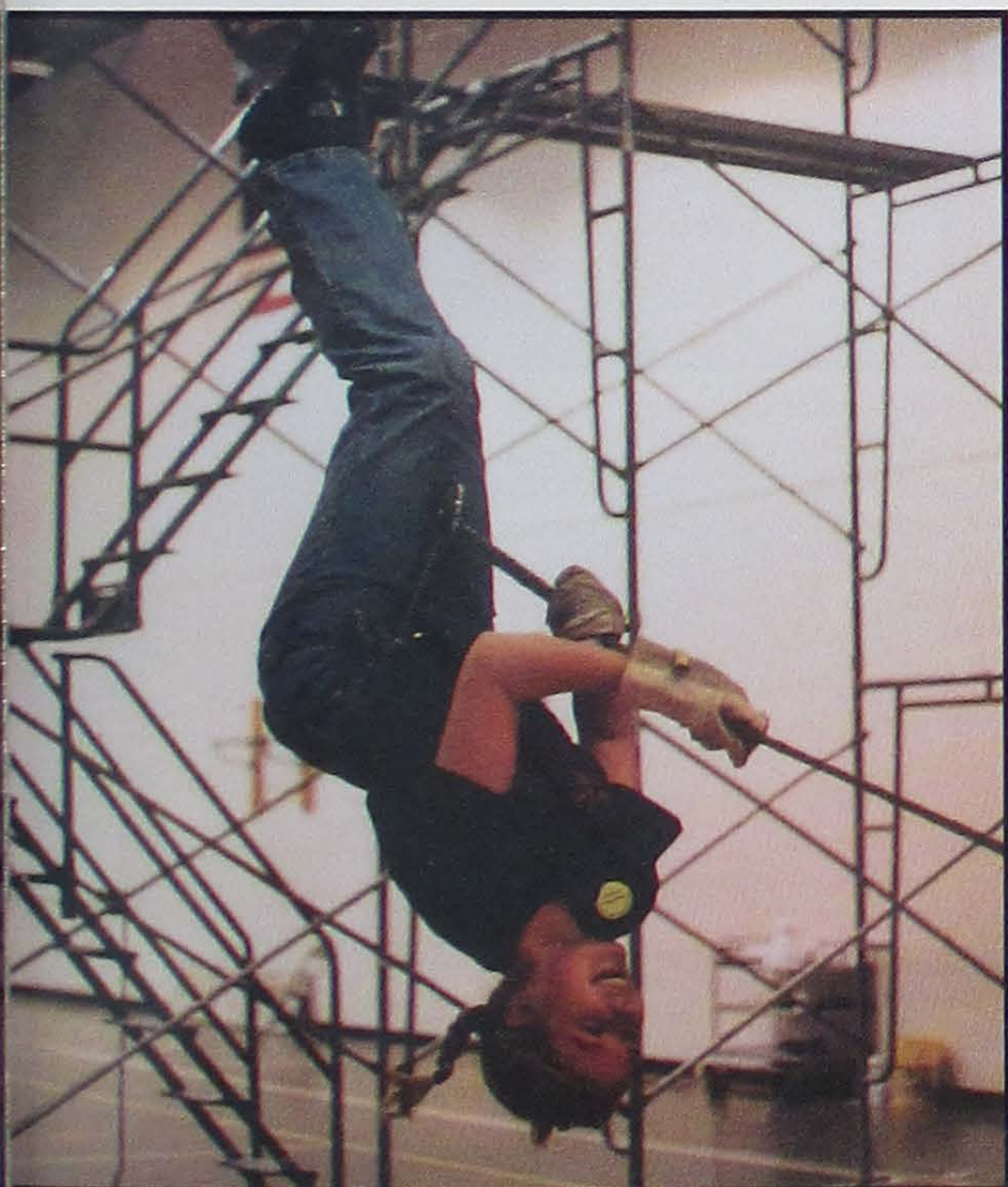
movin' on up



Freshmen Elizabeth Wandling and Audrey Wiedemeyer encourage one another before racing at the girls' swim conference. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Junior Bernadette Wilson trucks past a Newton runner; "It was my first meet coming back from an injury, so it meant a lot." (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



• **HOLDING ON BY A THREAD:** Finding that traditional repelling wasn't challenging enough, sophomore Sarah Manatt repels invertedly from scaffolding set up in the gym. Members of the Boone National Guard were called in to provide equipment and instruction for P.E. and modern dance classes. "It was an interesting experience, and I really enjoyed it because it's not a regular activity in physical education classes," Manatt said. Despite many students' enjoyment of the one week mini-unit, the activity only occurred once every other year. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

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JV FB @ Marshalltown
Fall Chorus Concert

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PSAT/NMSQT 10th/11th
B&G/CC Ames JV Invite
VB @ Newton

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B&G/CC @ Districts
9th FB @ Newton
All State Ensemble Recital

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End 1st Nine Weeks
10th FB Newton @ Home
V FB Newton @ Home

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All State Auditions @
Indianola
G/SW @ Conf (Valley)

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October



• **HEAD STRONG:** Super swimmer freshman Colleen Armstrong executes a turn during the conference meet. The 100-yard breaststroke was Armstrong's best event, though she showed a range of talents in other events as well. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **ONE FOOT IN FRONT OF THE OTHER:** Senior Julie Reger runs at the state meet. With only one fellow teammate running that day, Reger had a hard time keeping a steady pace. (photo courtesy of Erica Lynn)



• **PHONE HOME:** Sophomores Janelle Jorgenson and Stacy Strodtman take a break during school to make a call. "The new phone is awful. You have to stand right next to that disgusting wall and it won't hang up unless you put it down," Strodtman said. (photo by Allison Burke)



• **LENDING A HELPING HAND:** Working in the MC, senior Keith Duffy checks out books to help the staff. "Without the help of the ladies in the media center a lot of the people would not be able to participate in sports," Duffy said. (photo by Allison Burke)

The Sound of Music

Throughout the year, school bands provided entertainment for their fellow students as well as creative outlet for musicians.

- **PAZ:** Fabian DeKok - Guitar
David Melby - Guitar
Chris Norris - Bass
Dipayan Mitra - Table Drums
Kyle Lofsted - Drums
- **SQUEEGIE:** Jason Munday-Guitar, Vocals
David Moore-Bass, Noises
Dan Krumm-Drums
- **YOU TELL JIMMY:** Nate Ward-Guitar, Vocals
Lane Jahn-Guitar, Vocals
Kyle Rippey-Guitar, Vocals
Ben Erbes-Bass
Jennifer Lowry-Violin
Dan McClanahan-Drums
- **SPECIAL WHEN LIT:** Eric Voss - Bass
Dan Mikesch - Electric guitar
Adam Sisson - Vocals
Jeremy Jennings - Vocals
Luke Conard - Drums



PRO

Bet Your Life On It

CON

- You can win a lot of money
- It's something to do with friends when you're stuck in a town with nothing to do but go to one of the monopolized movie theaters
- It gives you a chance to get away from your parents
- It makes you feel more like an adult; you can't gamble before you turned eighteen
- It improves your highway driving, and the speed limit is 5 mph faster up north in Minnesota

"My hint for all propsective gamblers is not to get addicted--it happens."

Billy Warren

- You can lose a lot of money
- It causes arguments between fellow gamblers-- your friends aren't going to appreciate you taking all their money
- Your parents aren't going to be happy when you lose all your money and you're begging them for cash
- Do you really want to become one of those people on the 1-800-Bets Off commercials?
- It takes a tank of gas to get to Minnesota and back--that's \$20 on top of the money you lose gambling

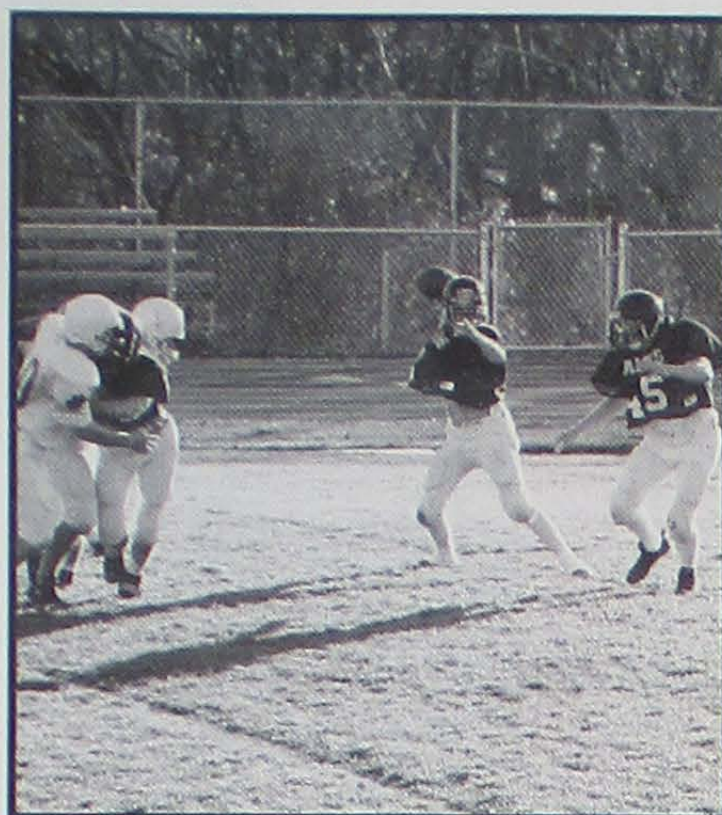
"Gambling can be fun as long as you don't lose your head - or your wallet."

Megan Morrow





• **HEADS I WIN, TAILS YOU LOSE:** Senior Ben Cronin calls the coin toss while his teammates, seniors Chris Parrish, David Ling, and Chris Konopa, anxiously await the results. Throughout the game, stress built as the Little Cyclones strained to gain the lead. Despite their valiant efforts, the West Des Moines Valley Tigers managed to hold on and win the game, 20-22. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)

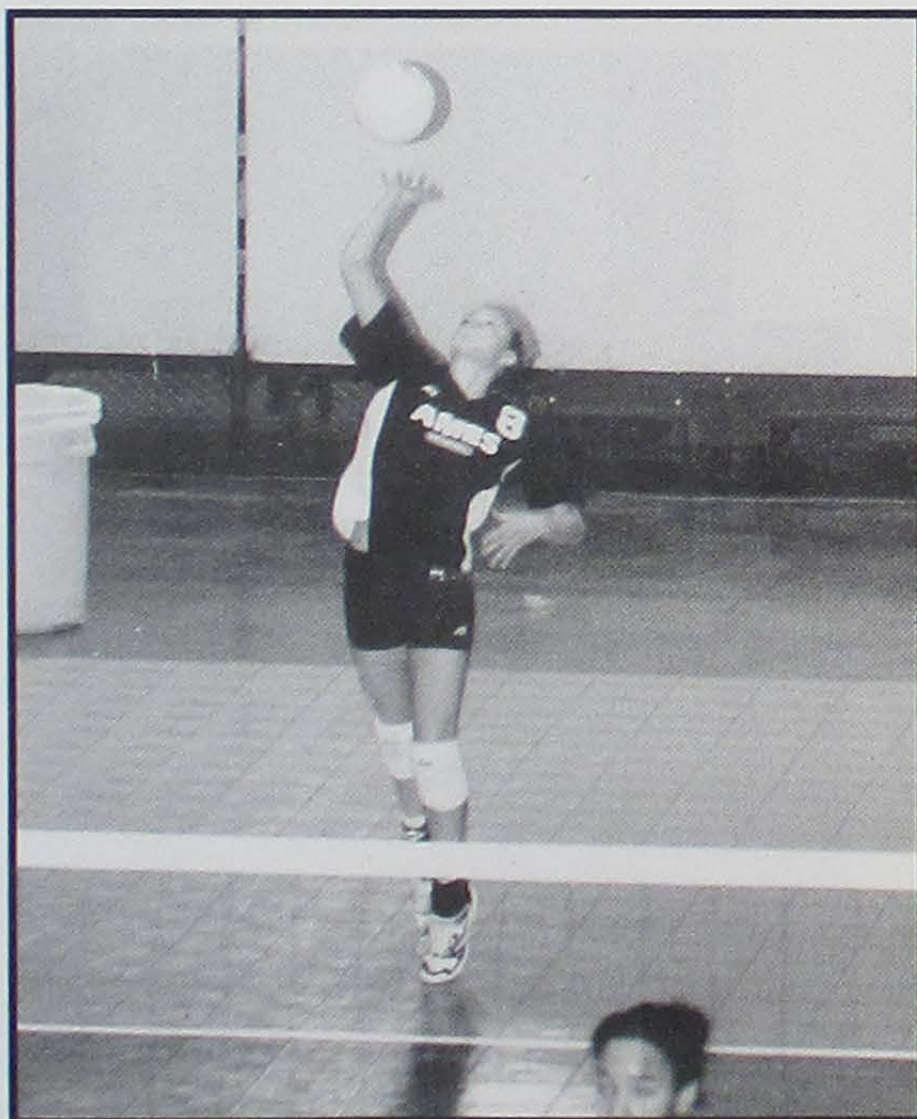


GOING LONG: Freshman Jason Smith looks to the deep end for an open receiver while freshman Ryan Hendrickson watches for opposing team members attempting to tackle Smith. The two were part of the talented team that promised a great future for the football program. Many of the players stepped up to take leadership roles throughout the season. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **HOW MUCH WOOD WOULD A WOODCHUCK CHUCK IF A WOODCHUCK COULD CHUCK WOOD?:** Concentrating heavily on his industrial technology project, senior Ben Swenson puts the finishing touches on his bowl by using the wood lathe. Not only did Swenson make bowls, but he also created more challenging wood workings such as boxes, a television stand, and a night table. Many different tools and heavy machinery were used in the making of each project. For such challenging works students created designs on paper before getting started on their piece. Many students, however, were able to begin and finish without first preparing a design. "Wood working gave me the opportunity to express my creativity," Swenson said. (photo by Rita Carter)

HIT'M HIGH, HIT'M LOW: Sophomore Andrea Otteman hammers an overhead serve toward the opposing team members of Oskaloosa High School. Combined with Otteman's efforts, the Ames High Varsity volleyball team was able to bump, set and spike their way to victory during the district playoffs. Throughout the volleyball season, superstition led the players to "knock on wood" every time someone would speak of events that might possibly happen in the future. These random rituals of superstition seemed to boost team unity and helped the girls become comfortable enough with each other to predict the actions of their fellow teammates. Their many victories and few defeats were especially impressive due to the fact that it was coach James Brockway's first year as the senior coach of the Varsity volleyball squad. (photo by Amy Chung)



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VB @ Districts

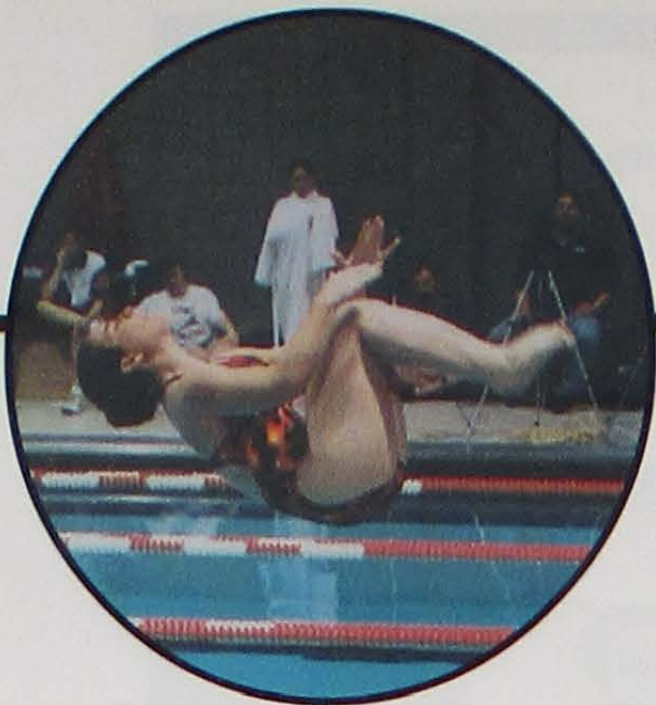
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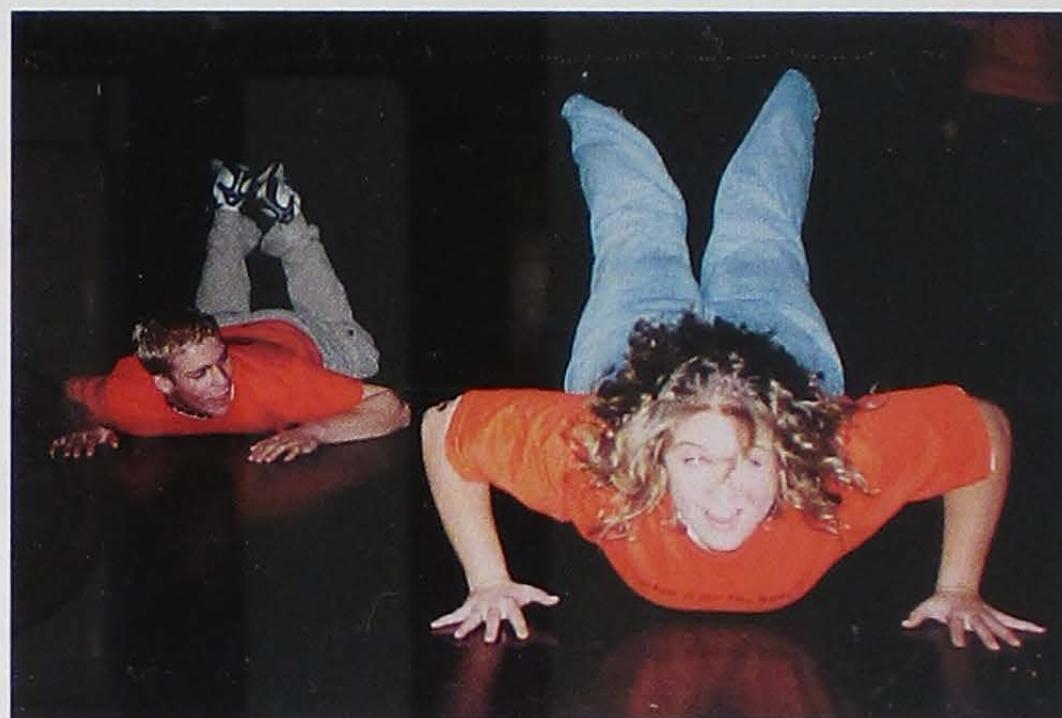
• **AIR TIME:** Senior Elisa Arkovich folds into a ball while spinning through the air during the state diving meet. Diving proved to be an outlet from the conventional activities of the swim team that scored much needed points for the team. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **SWIMMING IN THE DEEP BLUE SEA:** Senior Roya Maghsoodi quickly catches a breath of air while swimming the 500 freestyle in the state meet at Fort Dodge. (photo by Melisse Owen)



• **QUACK, QUACK:** Two of the Mighty Ducks of Ames High, seniors Keith Duffy and Jason Huls, joyously give each other a quick, celebratory hug after Ames scored a goal at their first hockey game of the year. Ames played a close game against Mason City, losing in overtime 2-3. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **GET DOWN TONIGHT:** Senior Annie Legg and junior Samuel Rupert get down with their bad selves during the first-ever dance marathon at the high school. Legg, famous to her friends for her worm dance, showed off her immense talent during the night. The dance marathon proved to be a wonderful opportunity to combine the fun of dancing with the charity of raising money for needy kids. (photo by Amy Chung)



• **TRICK OR TREAT:** Sophomore Lauren Burke poses by a scarecrow at a pumpkin farm during the Halloween season. "Every year we go pick out our pumpkins at the Berry Patch. This year our tradition was especially memorable because my sister is leaving for college next year," Burke said. (photo by Allison Burke)

Is your heart young and gay?

Who played Emily?

- A. Gwyneth Paltrow
- B. Senior Veronica Saide
- C. Isaac Newton

Where were Dick and Leo from?

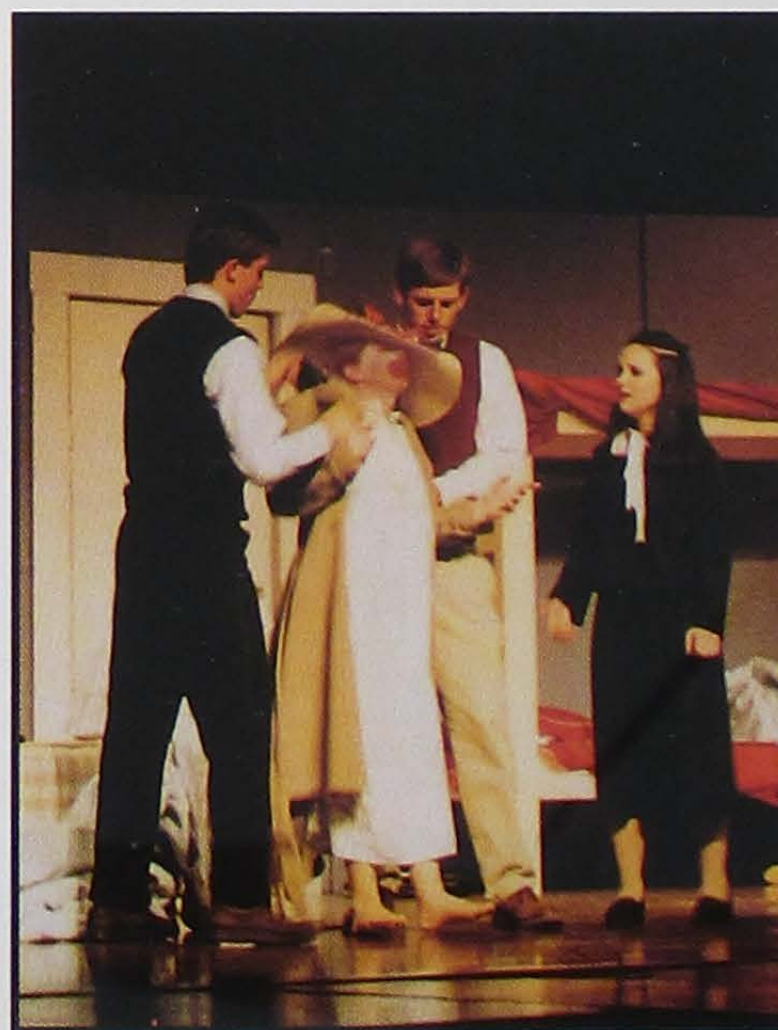
- A. Smith College for girls
- B. Harvard University
- C. The gutter

Who directed the play?

- A. Steven Spielberg
- B. Al Jerdee
- C. Marvin the Martian

What year was it during the play?

- A. 1960
- B. 1923
- C. 2089



If you chose:

Mostly A's: You have the potential to be a world-class thespian, but you need to brush up on your play facts and pay close attention during plays.

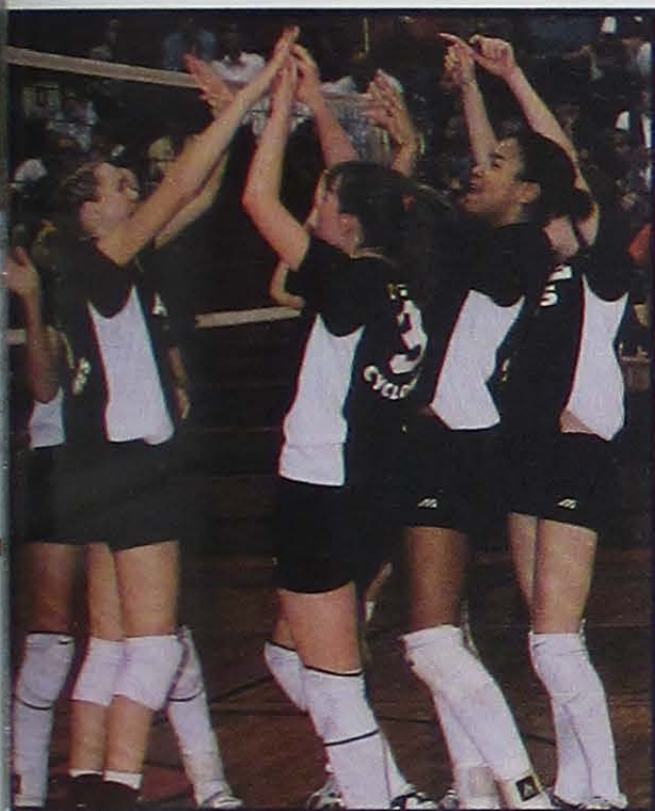
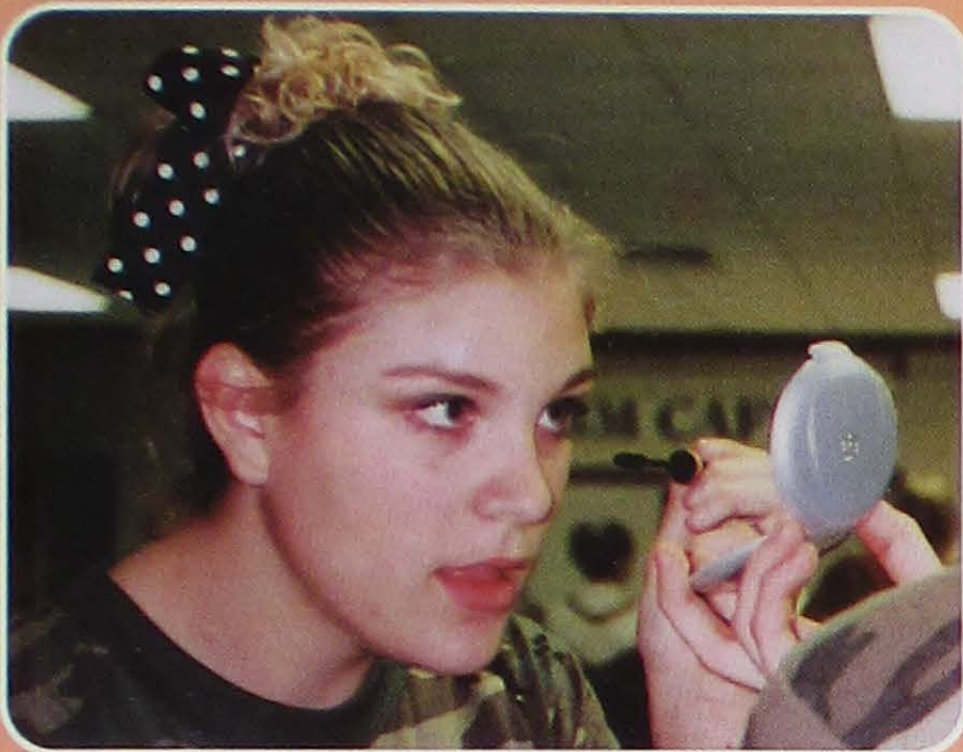
Mostly B's: You are an expert in the theater! You should be a thespian if you aren't already.

Mostly C's: Do you even know what a play is?

Seniors Nate Staniforth, Jon Sargent, and Veronica Saide help senior Patricia Smith disguise her measles by slathering makeup on her face and covering her head with a hat. (photo by Greg Payne)

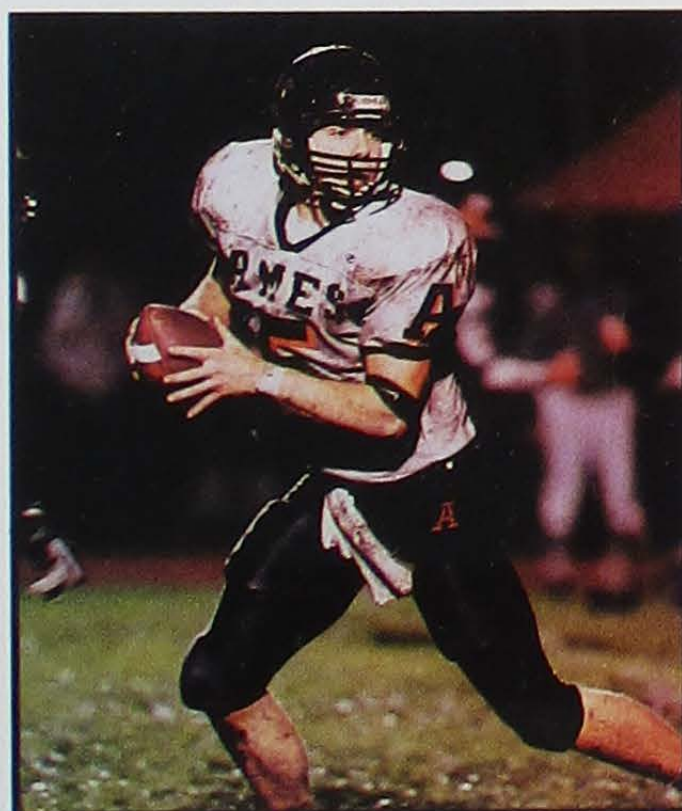
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Junior **Kellie Jutting** carefully applies mascara prior to performing at the state cheerleading championships. "There are lots of cheerleading rules, like your hair can't touch your shoulders, you can't wear glitter, and your eye makeup can't be sparkley. The team gets docked points if they don't follow these rules," Jutting said. (photo courtesy of Amy Pavlik)



• **COME ON, BARBIE, LET'S GO PARTY:** Giving each other congratulatory high fives, elated members of the Varsity volleyball team celebrate their regional victory. The victory took them one step closer to state. The team gave credit to their numerous fans that helped them succeed. "It's so exciting winning a regional game because it means that we're one step closer to state. Our fans are awesome. They're really loud and do a great job pumping us up during our games. Everything about this season has been amazing," senior **Jessica Kinyon** said. The surreal season included a new head coach, janitor **James Brockway**, whose excellent coaching skills and positive attitude earned him the "Volleyball Coach of the Conference" award. (photo by Amy Chung)

SPLISH, SPLASH, I WAS TAKING A MUD BATH: Senior quarterback **Graham VanHorn** looks anxiously for an open teammate during the play-off game against Newton. The Varsity football team battled more than just Newton during the game; the horrendous, constant downpour and mud made the game unpredictable and frustrating for the players as well as their supporters watching from the stands. The situation was no better for the Little Cyclones on the sidelines; a pipe in a water tank had broken and water gushed around the feet of standing teammates. While fans struggled to stay warm in ponchos and winter coats, the football players were forced to confront the weather without such amenities. Though the Little Cyclones battled long and hard through the game and overcame the difficulty of the weather conditions, Newton claimed victory. (photo courtesy of Gary Clarke)



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Catch a donkey by his toe . . . or was it an elephant? Election week 2000 was more of a circus than the finely tuned, government-run function it was supposed to be. And like children attending the circus for the first time, Ames High's newest batch of eighteen-year-old voters was a bit confused when the tent poles of this circus came tumbling down.

After making her stop at the voting booth Tuesday and impatiently awaiting the outcomes of our state and the nation, senior **Kylan Loney** felt let down. "I

feel like my vote didn't even count. It's become a war of the lawyers; it's no longer the American people choosing our president," she said.



Following several weeks of heated debate on many key topics such as prescription drugs, social security, education and taxes, the 2000 presidential race was deemed to be one of the closest in history. As the night of November 7th passed eager minute by eager minute and the electoral votes were tediously tallied, the election proved that it would be a rat race to the end. When NBC's Tom Brokaw called Florida for Al Gore, however, it seemed that the balance had

shifted. But soon NBC was blushing because of rotten information provided by the Voter New Service, and Florida

was thrown back into the pile of undecided states. Around midnight, VNS reported that it was Bush that led the Citrus State by 2,900 votes and by 2 a.m. Bush was declared our winner. Hold your horses, though; Bush's margin was dwindling fast and things were yet again "too close to call." Gore, who had already conceded to Bush, immediately "took back" his concession.

The days that followed were filled with threats of lawsuits brought on by Gore and the confusion of the disputed butterfly ballots used in the precious important state of Florida. There was no promise of when the final total would be reached or when the United States would be given its president-elect. We were left in turmoil.

How'd Iowa Tally Up?

Bush	630,077
Gore	635,026



• **SUPPORT, WE NEED SUPPORT:** A group of Ames High seniors stand in support of the volleyball team at the state tournament on Friday. The team capped an impressive 37-5-2 season with an appearance at the state tournament. Although Ames lost against Oskaloosa in the first round of the tournament, students were still proud of the team. "I thought it was impressive that our girls made the tournament, and they put up a good fight," said senior **Amy Chung**. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **MIRROR, MIRROR ON THE WALL:** Junior **Heather Berg** sketches her self portrait in **Susie Petra's** Drawing 1 class. The make-up rooms above the auditorium stage were a useful place for students to work on portraits in both drawing and painting classes. Equipped with many mirrors and good lighting, the rooms were ideal for art students working on a variety of projects ranging from home-sewn clothing in Fibers class to reflection photographs in Photography. "It's really exciting to leave class and go to the make-up room to draw," Berg said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



LONG
winded students

"I just hate it when girls are fighting over me. Maybe

if I had more than one big ball they'd be satisfied," sophomore **Greg Bonnett** said of the vicious competition during a heated game of water polo in gym class.





• **HIGH FLYING:** Senior Erin Martin spikes the ball and two members of the Oskaloosa volleyball team jump to defend as the volleyball team competes in the state tournament on Friday. Ames lost the match, 0-3, despite the valiant effort of Martin and other members of the volleyball team. (photo by Amy Chung)

northern lights



Junior **Shaina Larson** carves a print in printmaking class. Her reason for choosing the class was simple: "I like art," Larson said. (photo by Brunia)



Junior **Michael Dau** goes airborne at Afton Alps in Minnesota. While many students went to ski, Dau journeyed to snowboard. (photo by Payne)



• **FOOD FOR THE HEART AND SOUL:** Freshman **Andy Lamont** and seniors **Lin Ong** and **Laura Carlyle** load a truck after a recent Key Club food drive. The food was collected for Mid-Iowa Community Action, an organization dedicated to helping low-income families become self sufficient. While the Key Club involved itself mainly with the food drive, there were many other ways students could get involved with MICA: filing, mailing, faxing, working in the food pantry and helping in the classrooms also allowed students to help their community. (photo by Amy Chung)

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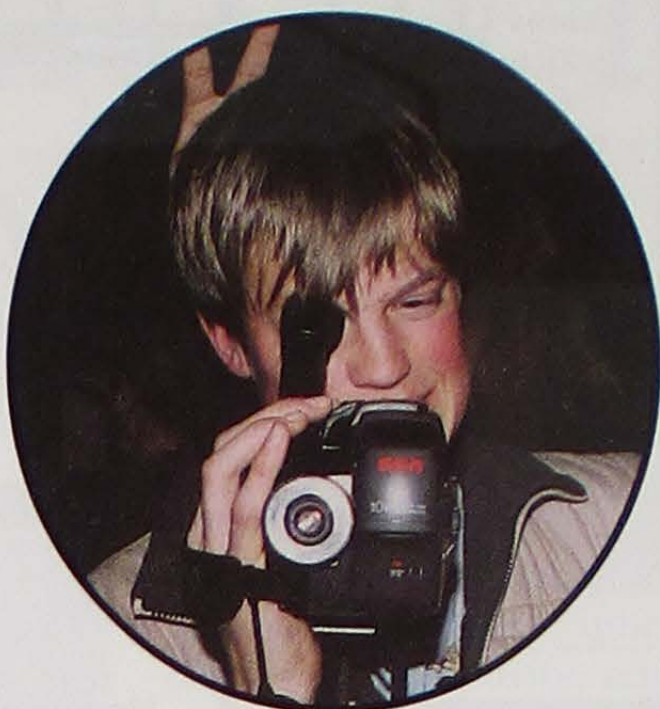
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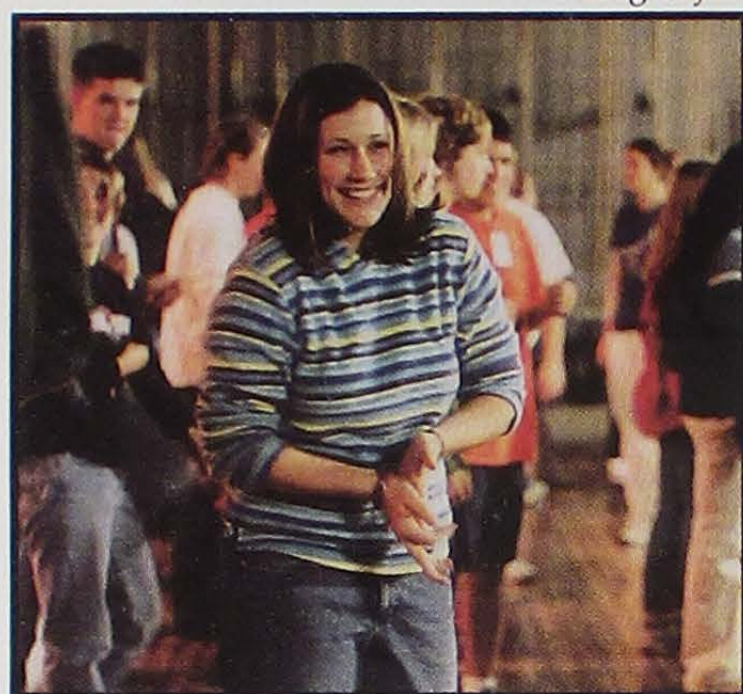
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• **TICKLING THE IVORIES:** Junior Matt Gemmill concentrates as he plays the accompaniment for the All-State Chorus. He was one of the two pianists chosen for the All-State festival. (photo by Nick Meyer)



• **HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU, KID:** Senior Matt Stolmeier zooms in on the SPIRIT photographer during a student council party while capturing his high school memories. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **CENTER STAGE:** Junior Kate McHugh flashes a smile at her friends during Terpsichore try-outs. "It's interesting being a choreographer because it allows me to interact with everyone and sympathize with them because I know try-outs are hard," she said. (photo by Steph Brunia)



• **I'M TOO SEXY:** Taking advantage of some ample free time, junior Anna Berger poses as Sandy from the classic musical *Grease*. Berger, who was homeschooled, had to rely on after-school activities to socialize with friends. (photo courtesy of McKinsie Clyde)

Locks of Love

Senior Amy Chung lost twelve inches overnight. After two long years of grooming her locks, Chung cut her hair with the intention of donating it to Locks of Love. Chung became interested in Locks of Love when she heard a radio interview about it during her sophomore year.

This non-profit organization provides children who have lost their hair due to chemotherapy with wigs made from human hair. The charity began in 1997, and has helped approximately 200 children since its first year of operation. Unlike most other non-profit organizations, over 80 percent of the donors are children. With the donated hair, Locks of Love provides its recipients with a custom hairpiece made entirely from donated hair.

Unfortunately, it takes twelve people who donate more than ten inches to create one wig, so contributions are much appreciated. Donated hair must be at least 10 inches in length, bundled in a ponytail or braid, free of hair damage, and mailed in a padded envelope to:

Locks of Love
1640 S. Congress Ave., Suite 104
Palm Springs, FL 33461



GIRLS

Water Polo Gets Ugly

GUYS

"Because we know how to 'score' goals!"
-senior **Roya Maghsoodi**

"Because the girls have the 'BEAST' and 'G.I. JANE!'"
-seniors **Abby Van Maaren & Erin Belcher**

"Let's just say we have our ways. Wink, wink!"
-junior **Teri Hawley**

"Because we have CLAWS!"
-sophomore **Parisa Maghsoodi**

"Why do I need a quote? Girls are just better!"
-freshman **Carly Reiken**

"Because we have Van Meter, they have Van Maaren; our Van is better!"
-senior **Mike Keinzler**

"We have muscles you don't even know about!"
-junior **Les Schweikert**

"We play more viciously; we expected more clawing from them."
-junior **Jon Saxton**

"We show more skin!"
-sophomore **Tyler Strodman**

"We were excited to play because the girls' ball handling sucks."
-freshman **Seth Levings**





PRINCESS FOR A DAY: Senior Aubrey Brunia smiles during a surprise party a group of friends held for her during homeroom on her 18th birthday. They brought donuts for everyone in her homeroom and played the song "I'm Too Sexy" for Brunia. In addition to being crowned princess for the day, Brunia had a memorable 18th birthday. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

• MONKEYIN' AROUND: Excited by the prospect of almost being halfway through his senior year, senior Shawn Brekke swings on the gate in the back lobby. Brekke and the majority of the senior class were plagued by a serious condition called "senioritis." Symptoms of senioritis included procrastination, superiority complex over underclassmen, lack of motivation, and a very light course load. (photo by Melisse Owen)



• I'M A ROCK STAR:

OPEN-MIC NIGHT: Senior Sarah White exchanges a hug with her former Honors Biology teacher, Robert Gibbons, while encouraging him to address the audience during a teachers' recognition banquet. The banquet was scheduled by the National Merit semi-finalists of 2000, allowing them the opportunity to recognize all of the teachers who had strongly influenced the students' high school careers. "One of the best parts of my education has been the incredible people who have impacted my life as teachers. Without their continued support, I wouldn't be the person I am today," White said. Each student shared his or her favorite memories of these special educators and handed out apples to each one as a token of their appreciation. "Mr. Gibbons is like my grandfather! I have heard each of his stories countless times and could tell each and every one, word for word," White said. (photo by Rita Carter)



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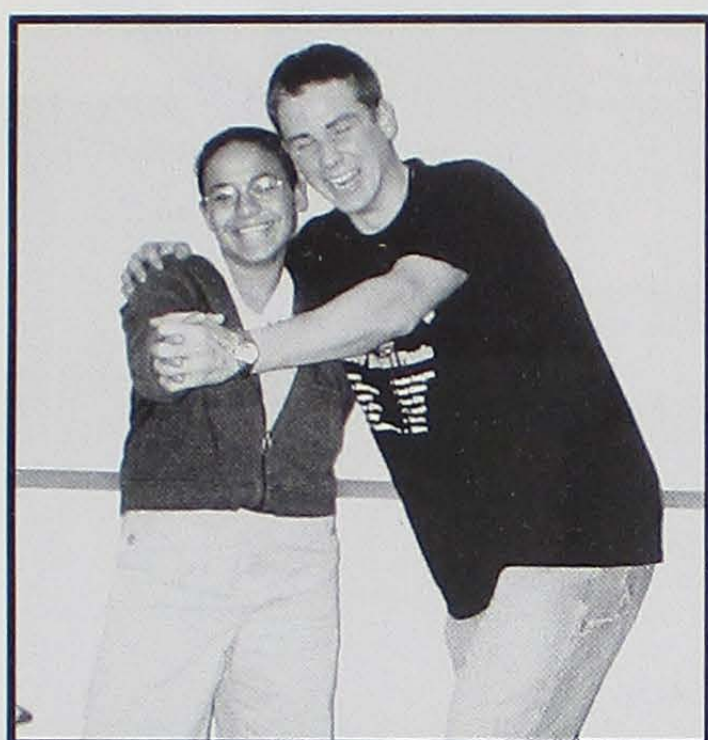
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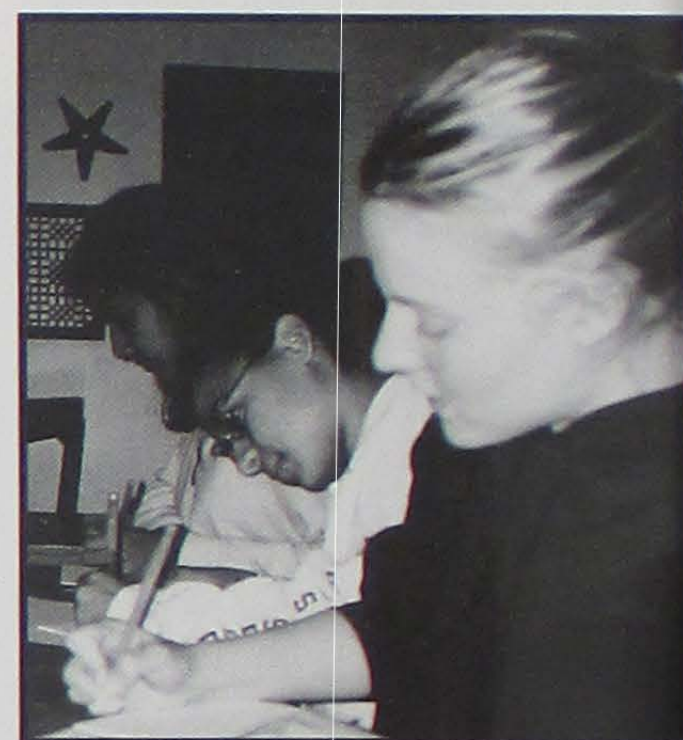
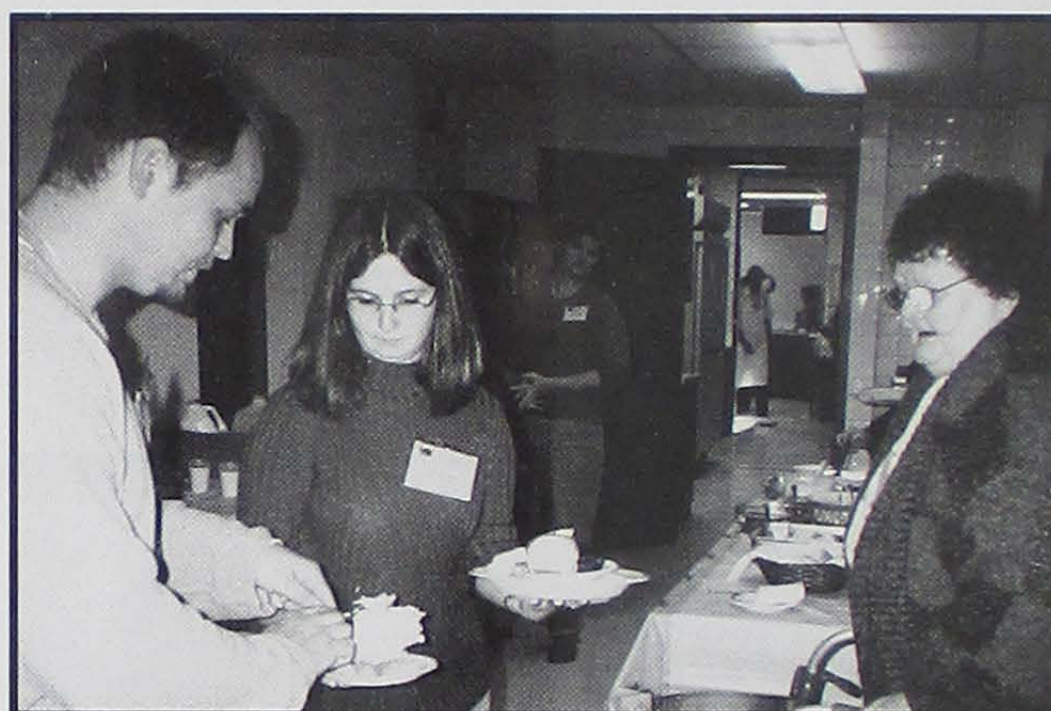
• **SUMMER DAZE:** In the midst of one of the coldest Iowa winters in history, students warmly remembered the scorching heat of summer. (photo courtesy of Amy Chung)

• **WRITE ON:** Senior Chris Parrish types up his article for the Web. As a staff reporter for the newspaper, Parrish was responsible for composing weekly sports/activities articles that might appear in the following issue of the Web. (photo by Rita Carter)



• **BAILAMOS:** Seniors Sylvia Fanous and Tyler Heithoff take their turn at performing an activity in Spanish IV. Students were given slips of paper with clues of an everyday action which they then had to perform in front of the class. (photo by Amy Chung)

• **DO YOU KNOW THE MUFFIN MAN?:** Sophomore Jessie Baker carries Thanksgiving dinner for an elderly woman at First Christian Church in downtown Ames. First Christian hosted a dinner for the underprivileged who had no other place to celebrate the Holidays. The privilege for students to help out at the dinner was presented by the Food I class. (photo by Amy Chung)



• **SEALED WITH A KISS:** Senior Girls' Club members Neha Kothari, Annie Fanous and Lis Corley address invitations to Winter Formal Invitations, adorned with a golden ribbon, were waiting in homerooms for every girl in the student body. (photo by Amy Chung)

How to Tell if the Senior Class Hates You...

What class do you belong to?

- A. Sophomore
- B. Freshmen
- C. Junior

How do you make your money?

- A. Counterfeiting permits.
- B. I still get allowance for making my bed.
- C. I have a real job.

Can you legally park in the lot?

- A. No, but I do anyway.
- B. No, I can't drive.
- C. Yes.

What keeps you at school?

- A. Someone parked behind me.
- B. The bus is late.
- C. Traffic.



If you chose...
Mostly A's: There's no doubt about it, the seniors hate you.

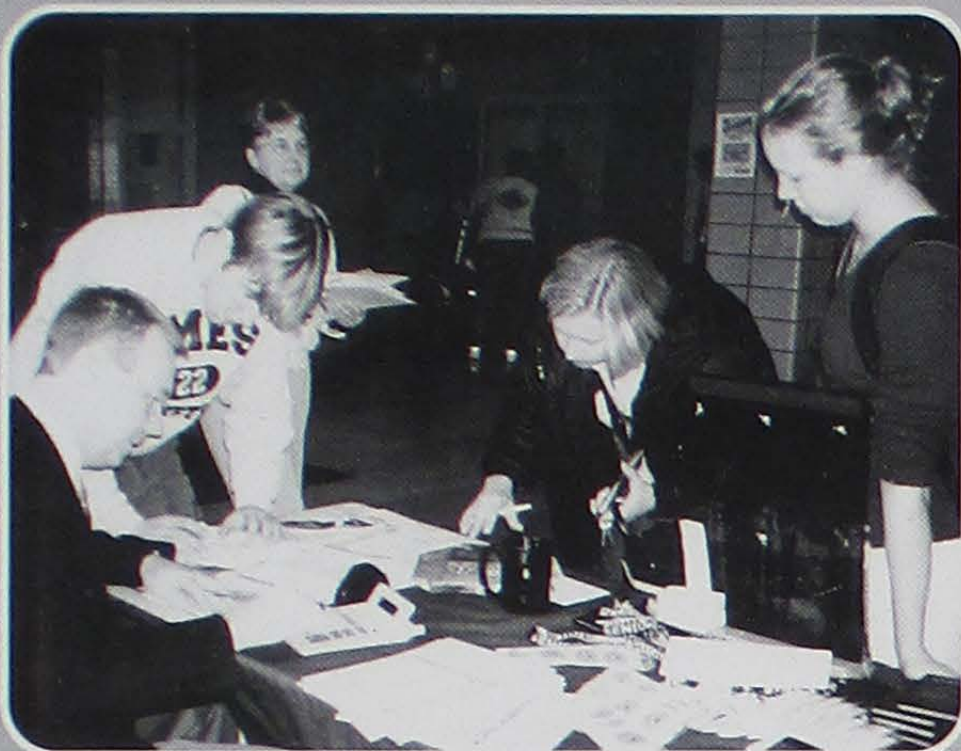
Mostly B's: You're not important enough to be hated. In fact, you're forgotten.

Mostly C's: Who cares if they hate you? You're next in line.

Seniors were allowed to park behind the rebel underclassmen who tried to get away with stealing spots from permit holders. However, some of the perpetrators struck back by crashing into the seniors' cars. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

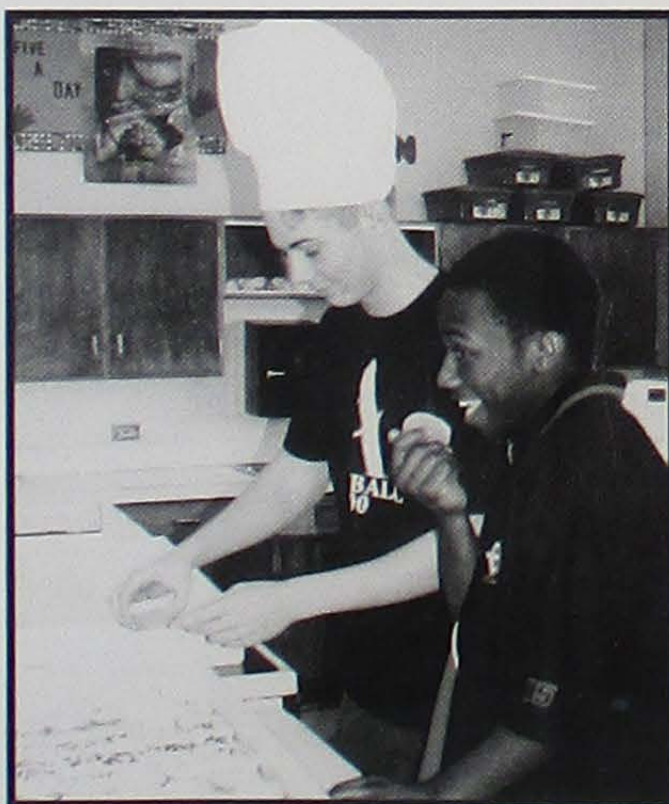
4 Sale

Seniors **Joe Wanzek** and **Carly Mortensen** prepare for their upcoming graduation. Ordering announcements, invitations and tassels was just the beginning. Cap and gown fittings, open houses, rehearsals and other preparations were still to come. (photo by Rita Carter)



• **TAKING ONE FOR THE TEAM:** Senior **Erin Martin** dives for the ball to save it from going out of bounds. Martin attempted to steal the ball away from a Dowling opponent and lost control. Despite a valiant effort, Martin was unable pass to a teammate and Dowling gained possession of the ball. However, Martin did gain a bruise on her elbow for her efforts. "When playing basketball you have to be willing to take a risk every once in a while. You have be able to run the court from tipoff until the last buzzer. It's a physically demanding game but it's worth it for the team," Martin said. The girls played a nerve-wracking game that was proved by the triple overtime. The evenly matched Dowling offense and Ames defense fought to the very end, but Dowling pulled through with a win for the night. Despite the loss, the team won respect for their determination. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **KISS THE COOK:** While junior **Joe Ripke** prepares the sweets, sophomore **Tintha Mwanza** attempts to sneak a taste of a frosted chocolate cupcake. Students in **Margaret Strasser's** Foods I class baked during the school day and delivered the desserts to First Christian Church for the annual Thanksgiving feast. The students' good deeds were part of a service project for community members who may not have had anywhere else to go for the day. The Family and Consumer Science teachers provided multiple opportunities for students to help the community by having their classes make and collect goods for the less fortunate. While foods classes made dessert for Thanksgiving, fellow teacher, **Kristine Stegge**, had her FCS classes collect various items for ACCESS, the women's shelter in Ames. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



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White, grey, green and brown,
The colors of the winter ground.

Ice, snow and deep wet mud
Seems to me like earthen blood.

Winter woods dark and bleak,
Yet here I find the peace I seek.

The hemlock boughs in *winter's wind*,
Clean me of my earthbound sin.

No matter when these woods I tread
Their beauty fills my heart and head.

My soul drinks deep all I see.
In these woods, my spirit's free

To fly and glide upon the wind.
And here forever I have been.

blown

By
Nick
Meyer

back in time

The date was December 2, 2000. The castle hall was decorated for the upcoming festivities: The tables were set, the candles lit and the tree decorated. A real Renaissance party was about to begin.

While it wasn't a real castle and the time was not the Renaissance, the atmosphere was that of five hundred years past as the Fine Arts department presented the annual Madrigal Dinner. Thirty-two singers, a dozen actors, eight string players, and countless other people worked long hours to make the dinner a resounding success.

One of the hardest-pressed groups was the chamber singers. The singers practiced daily before school from the middle of October to the end of Novem-

ber and sacrificed their Monday evenings to improve their performance. "Mr. Linn pushed us to the edge, but kept us far enough back that we wouldn't hurt our-

selves," said seniors **Chris Parrish** and **Julie R e g e r**.

All the time spent in rehearsal was worth it when the nights of the dinner arrived. The singers and actors provided a performance worthy of the approval of King Parrish and Queen R e g e r.

At the end of the last night, the guests were gone, the candles blown out, the castle hall dark. For the twelfth straight year, the Madrigal Dinner sent its guests home with food in their stomachs and laughter and love in their hearts.

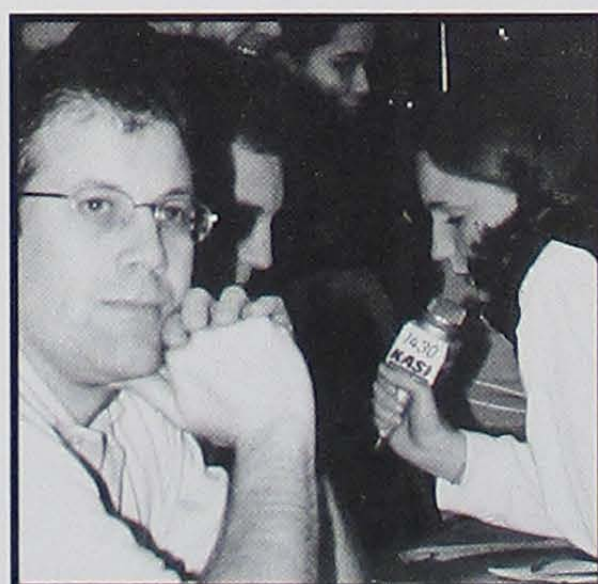


The tables were set, the candles lit and the tree decorated. A Renaissance party was about to begin.



• **CAUTION! ARENA COULD BE ICY:** Ames senior hockey player **Tyler Heithoff** watches his teammates' moves while bodychecking a helpless member of the Omaha hockey team into the boards. Despite the heroic effort of Heithoff and the other Little Cyclone players, Omaha won and greatly disappointed the hopeful Ames team. Heithoff and other senior members of the hockey team were especially disgruntled by the loss, hoping to block out the memory of playing Omaha with future wins. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **RADIO INTERVIEWED THE BASKETBALL STAR:** Senior **Amy Bappe** is interviewed by a KASI announcer after the girls' basketball game against Hoover. Such interviews about girls' basketball were common for star players such as Bappe. "It is really exciting and fun to get a chance to play the Des Moines basketball teams. We haven't gotten to play those teams in past years because of the conference set-up. This year's conference re-shuffling is nice because we get to play a variety of new teams. It makes for many exciting, unpredictable games." (photo by Amy Chung)



LONGwinded students

Senior **Fabian deKok** scrutinizes his artwork. "I have always loved draw-



ing. Recently I tried painting. I am not as good at it, but I do love watching the wet paints melt and blend together; it's entertaining."

-Fabian de Kok, Senior



• **MEDIEVAL MADNESS:** Senior madrigal dinner performers pose for a crazy picture after their performance. "Our Monday night rehearsals provided us with a chance to get to know each other better. A lot of us would arrive early; we spent a lot of time talking and joking around. It really increased the comradery of the entire group," senior **Nicholas Meyer** said. (photo by Greg Payne)

frosty the snowman



Seniors **Julie Prindle** and **Rita Carter** celebrate the new snow by building a snowman in the courtyard with the help of other yearbook staff members. (photo by C. Clark)



Juniors **Stephanie Brunia** and **Bernadette Wilson** help with the Yearbook snowman. Not on staff, Wilson became a bonafide "Yearbook groupie." (photo by C. Clark)



• **RUN FASTER, JUMP HIGHER:** Junior **Tim Stoops** uses his extreme vertical advantage to make a basket while disgruntled Hoover basketball players watch his amazing talent. With one of the tallest starting line-ups in the CIML conference, the Ames High Little Cyclones hoped to use their advantage to overpower their opponents. The Little Cyclones played a close game against Hoover, winning by a very close margin of four points. Stoops' enormous effort and that of his teammates helped the team win, beginning the season with an uplifting and exciting victory. (photo by Amy Chung)

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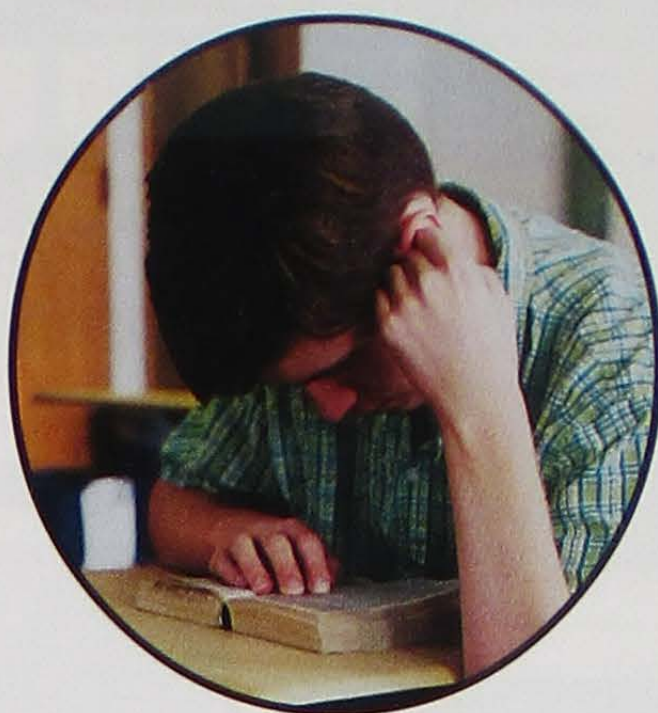
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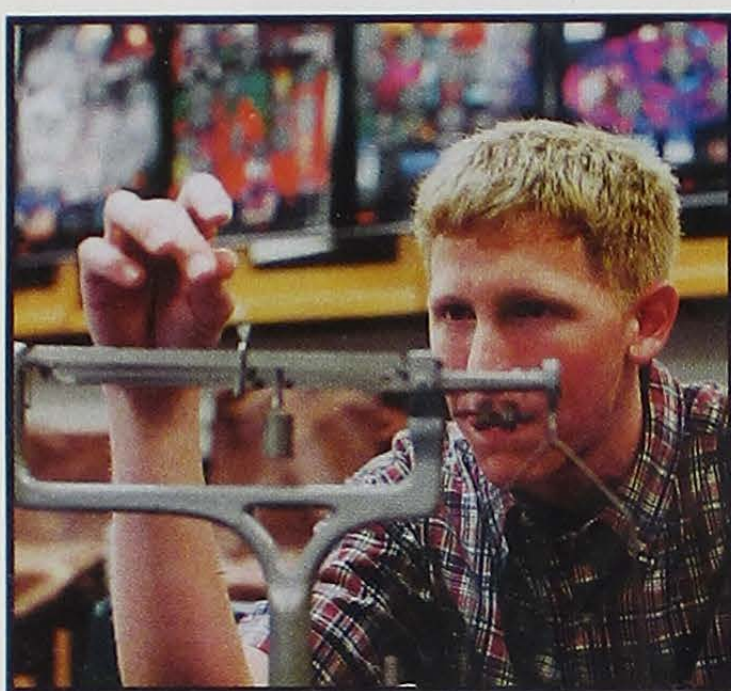
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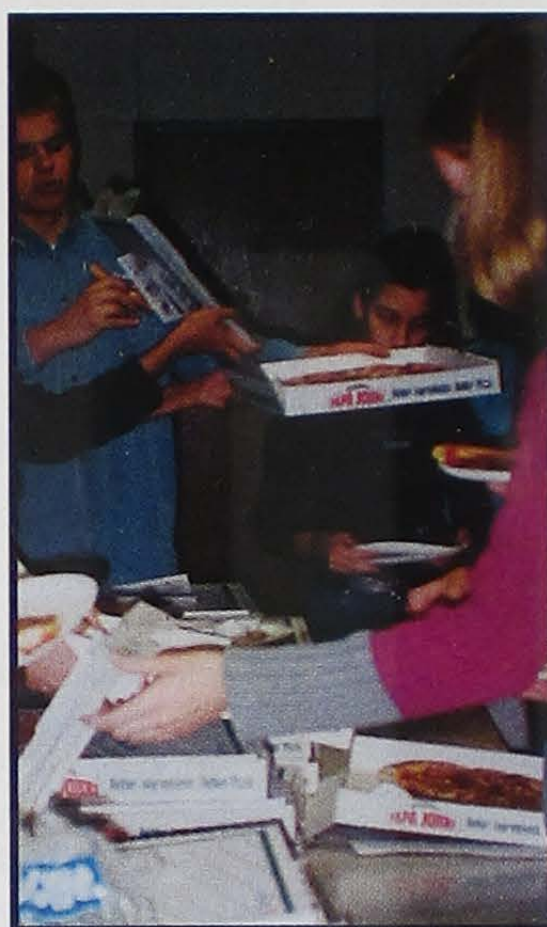
• **GET OFF OF ME:** Junior Mike Young struggles against his opponent. "We have a good group and they'll accomplish some things that past squads at Ames haven't," coach Dan Helmkamp said. (photo by Payne)



• **READING, WRITING AND 'RITHMETIC:** Junior Albert Hames II reads a book during his algebra class period. "Boy, algebra sure is fun," Hames said when confronted about the errors in his studying habits. The high scholastic demands of junior year often forced students to use their class time to study for other subjects. (photo by Allison Burke)



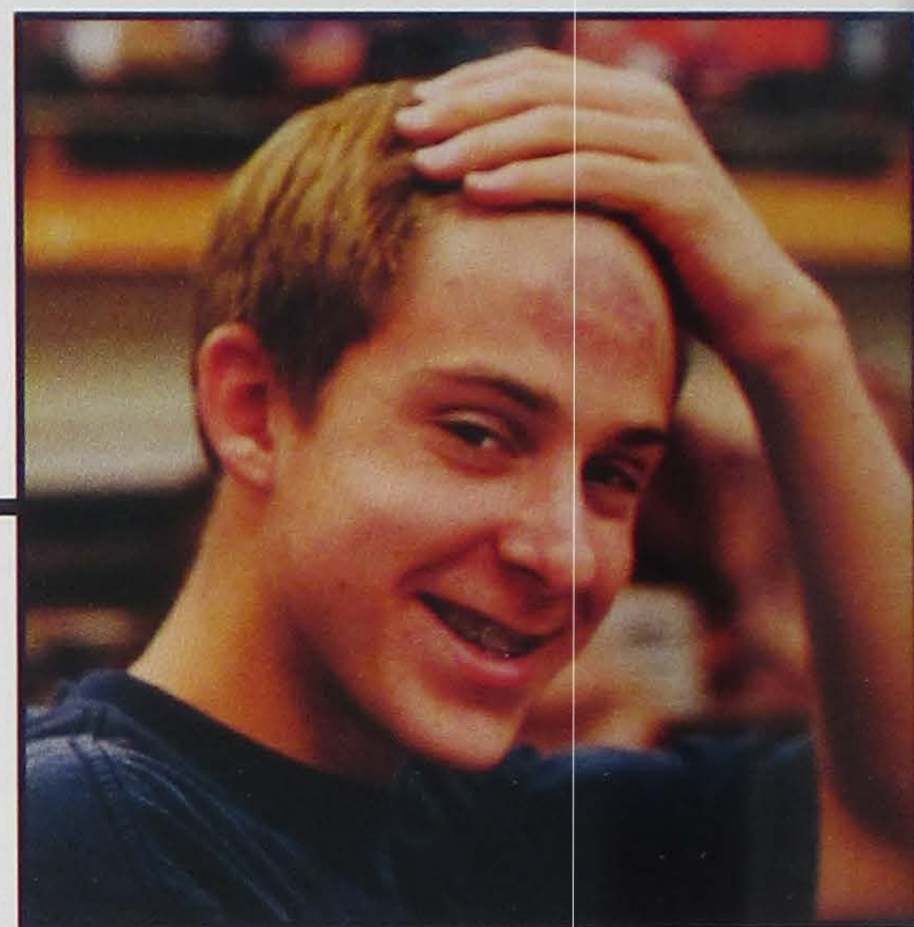
• **GRADING SCALE:** Junior Matt Gemmill attempts to complete a lab practical in Jeff Dilks' physics class. "Physics has really changed my perspective on grades. I never thought I'd be happy with a 'C' on a test," Gemmill said. (photo by Steph Brunia)



• **GOOD WORK, FOLKS:** Senior Aaron Rosheim prepares to enjoy some pizza during a senior mentors meeting. The counselors provided the pizza and pop to show their appreciation of the efforts of the mentors. (photo by Amy Chung)

Top 10 Reasons to Blush

10. Tripping down the stairs in front of a bunch of seniors
 9. Falling on the wet floor right inside the front door at 7:45 AM
 8. Getting tangled in a folding chair so badly that someone must come to the rescue
 7. Jumping on a pop can and having your pants fall down because you weren't wearing a belt. (courtesy of junior Toby Peters)
 6. Being caught stacking deer by a teacher
 5. Confusing a mammogram with . . . something else
 4. Insisting that your dog comes along with you on a bike ride to your crush's house and then crashing in front of his entire family
 3. Forgetting to wear cheerleaders when you wore your cheerleading uniform to school . . . and then realizing it when you go to dress out for P.E. (courtesy of junior Mary Ellett)
 2. Accidentally walking into the Varsity girls' basketball locker room to dress for boys' track
 1. Accidentally farting during a school assembly . . . into the mic
- ** Having the crotch of your swimming suit get caught on a waterslide and having it rip while you continue down towards the masses at the bottom (courtesy of anonymous junior SPIR staffer)



RED

And Then They Were Red

REDDER

"I was writing on the white board in front of an English 9 Writing Class when a fabric softener sheet fell out of my pant leg. I just picked it up and said, 'Oh, that is totally cool!' and just made a joke out of it."

-English teacher Marylin Haynes



"I was teaching junior high math in Iowa City. It was my birthday, so I tried to look nice that day. During my class with 34 seventh graders, one of the girls came up to me in the middle of my presentation. With her back to the class she whispered, 'Miss Joensen, your zipper is open!' We made a new rule: if anyone saw my zipper open, a booger hanging out of my nose or chalk dust where it shouldn't be, they had to tell me right away!"

-Math teacher Ellen Joensen



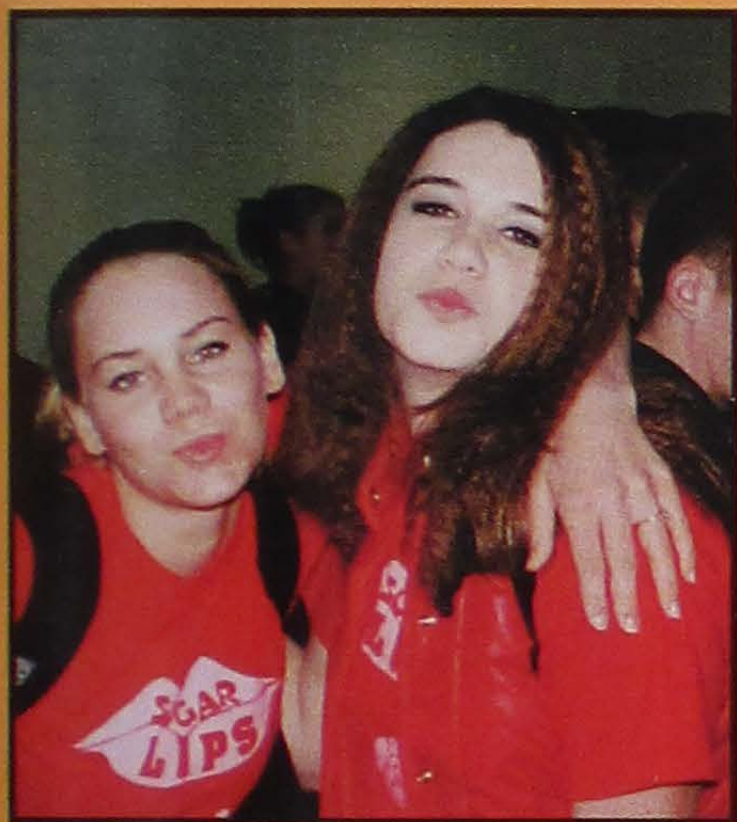


HOLLY AND IVY: Sophomore Sandra Fairbanks uses dry flowers, artificial greenery and other plant matter to create a floral arrangement during Interior Design class. The class spent several days studying ways to create attractive decor for the interiors of homes and businesses. Curriculum of the class ranged from making architectural models of houses to studying subtle color schemes. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

• NOT JUST FOR THE LADIES: Breaking a stereotype, seniors Tom Gartin and Jonah Cunnally work on a project in Interior Decorations. Together, they added a new dimension to the typically all-female class. "It was an enlightening class, especially working with Jonah and all of his brilliant remarks," Gartin said. The diversity of students in practical and fine art classes made each experience a unique one. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• LIP-SMACKING GOOD: Juniors Emily Gleeson and Betsy Huisenga pucker up for the camera to show off their I-Ball team unity in the back lobby. As per tradition, teams wore their "jerseys" on game day to show team unity and raise the competitive spirit. Some traditions were broken this year, however. After a group of community leaders complained about I-Ball being held on Wednesday nights, the school board attempted to remove I-Ball from its normal Wednesday time slot. However, with talks between athletic director Bud Legg and the school board, a compromise was worked out in which some games were played on Wednesday nights, but most were played on Monday or Thursday nights. (photo by Greg Payne)



FLY SPARKY, FLY AWAY; SAVE YOURSELF! Junior Melisse Owen embarrasses herself while attempting to accomplish a time-consuming project in American literature. Owen, also called Mess-E by staffers, was known for random acts of insanity and for her crazy hare-brained ideas. Many juniors, delirious from long hours of concentration and memorization, found that silliness was sometimes humiliating aftereffect. Owen will always be an inspiration to those who knew her well. "Prindle, you are not putting that picture in the book, get over here right now," Owen said when asked to comment on her entertaining friendship and devotion to "Sparky." Fortunately for most students, their embarrassing moments did not end up as feature pictures in SPIRIT. "Prindle, I'm counting to three before I come over there and pound you," Owen added in her little menacing way. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



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Madrigal Dinner

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JV G/BB Mason City @ Home
Madrigal Dinner

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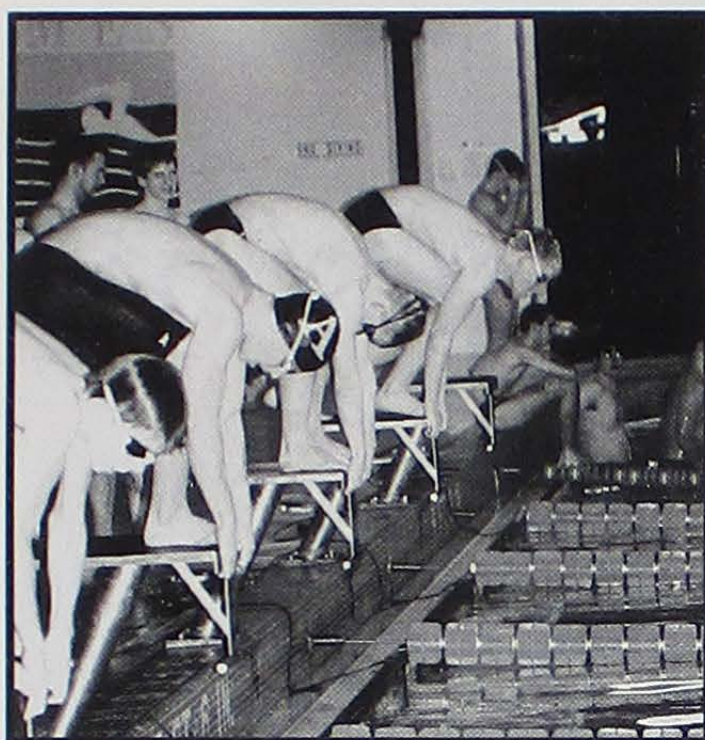
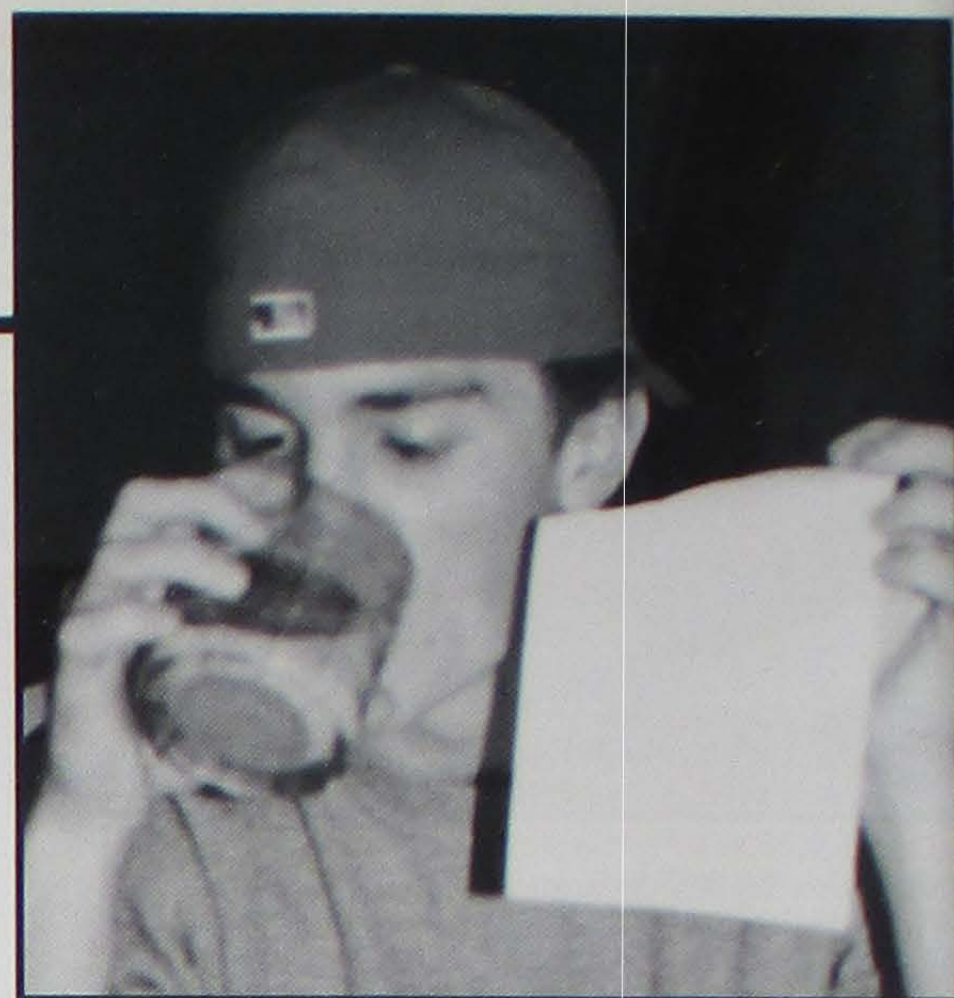
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• **MILK, IT DOES A BODY GOOD:** Senior David Larson flashes his strong, pearly whites. Milk is the most important beverage for growing bodies, so he makes sure to drink his milk every day to ensure that he stays strong. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **DRINK OF THE WEEK:**

Junior Derek Larson takes a bet for 1 Subway card, 1 pretzel card, 4 BK bucks and 1 Taraccino punchcard. The drink, concocted by senior Ben Swenson, consisted of: Pine-Sol, dog food, mustard, ketchup, dishwasher soap, meat, pickle juice, raw egg, whole banana, chocolate syrup, crackers, celery, orange juice, apple juice, ice cubes, peanut butter, syrup, and mayonaise. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **TAKE YOUR MARKS:** Juniors Les Schweikert, Joe Herriges and Nick Welter crouch down on the starting blocks in anticipation of the horn, signaling the start of the 100 meter breast stroke. The speed of a swimmer's start was crucial to a race and could be the difference between a lose or a win. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **SPREAD YOUR WINGS:** Showing an impressive arm span, freshman Luke McDuff comes up for air between strokes. During a meet in Boone, McDuff swam the 100 meter butterfly. The butterfly, perhaps the hardest of all the strokes, required a massive amount of armstrength and determination. McDuff found it rewarding to know that he had overcome such a difficult trial despite the challenging stroke. (photo by Melisse Owen)



• **PEANUT BUTTER AND JAM FEST:** Waiting in the wings to perform at the Jam Fest, senior Fabian DeKok adjusts the strap on his guitar. Dekok was the lead guitarist for the band Paz, who performed with three other bands and rocked the cafeteria on Friday night, all in the name of charity. (photo by Greg Payne)

Have You Gone Mad??

80's day equaled:

- A. American Eagle flares
- B. Headbands and crimped hair
- C. Leg warmers and stretch pants

Your PJ's consisted of:

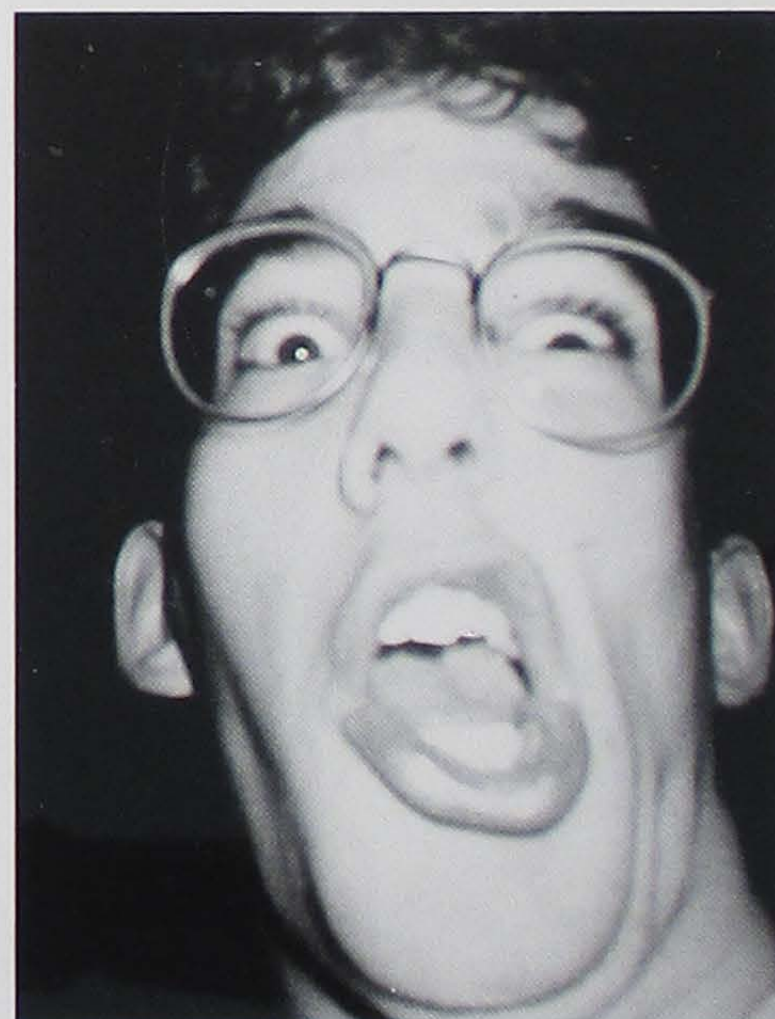
- A. Flannel shirt
- B. Cotton jammies with feet
- C. A silk robe and duck slippers

For concert band T-Shirt Day, you wore:

- A. An Ames High Marching Band shirt
- B. A Phish T-shirt
- C. The shirt you ripped off of Nick Carter's back

Spirit Day inspired:

- A. Orange and some other color
- B. Cheek cheers!
- C. Your hair is still dyed from Spirit Day during Homecoming week



If you chose:

Mostly A's: Um, either you are a freshmen or you go to Gilbert. We'd give you advice, but you probably wouldn't take it.

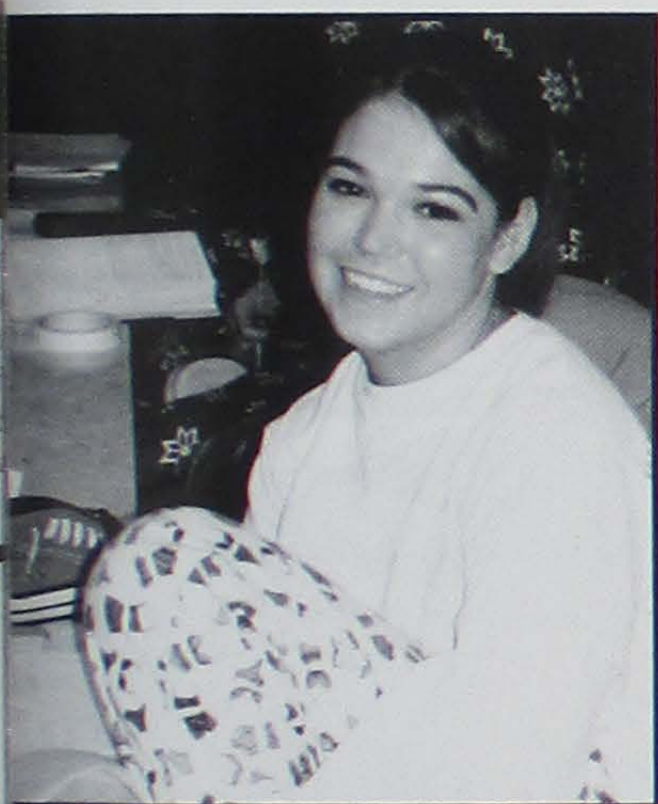
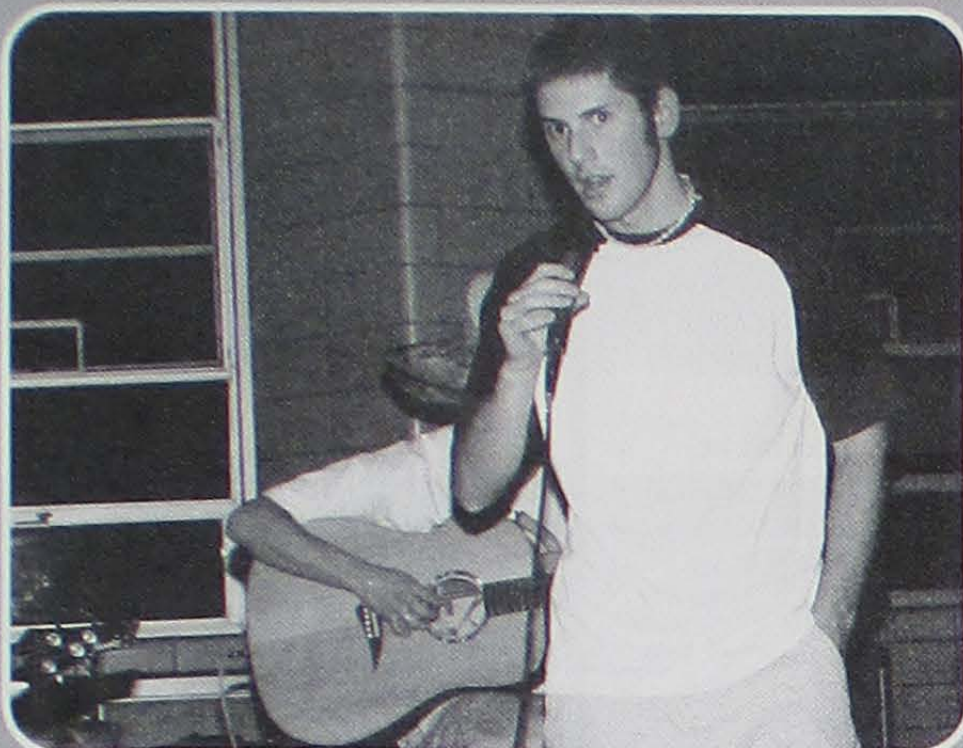
Mostly B's: Congratulations on having a well-rounded sense of spirit. Don't be afraid to try something new in your get-up, such as orange and black facepaint.

Mostly C's: Ignore the weird looks you get from your friends. Rejoice in your "uniqueness."

Senior Brian Anderson demonstrates his madness at the end of the successful Winter Madness week. (photo courtesy of Alexandra Sibley Rundle)

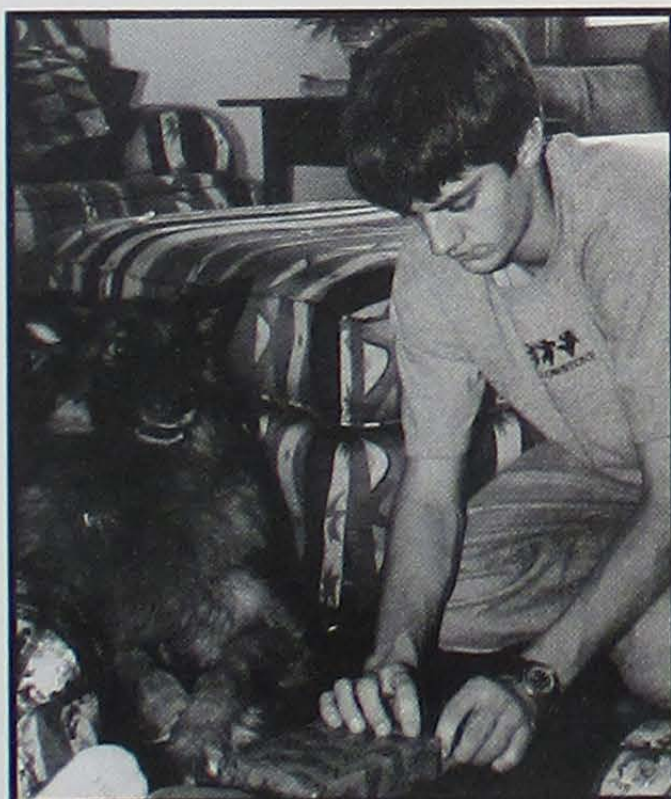
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Junior **Lane Jahn** introduces his band while junior **Nate Ward** tunes his guitar at the Friday night Jam Fest for Winter Madness week. Jahn and Ward were a part of the band, *You Tell Jimmy*, who claimed to have named the band as a joke but were surprised when the name stuck. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **BANANAS IN PAJAMAS:** Dressing up on Pajama Day, senior **Elissa Thompson** smiles in comfort and shows off her new pajama pants. Thompson was one of many students who took advantage of this day to dress down in lazy and comfortable clothes. Students enjoyed this day because it allowed them to roll out of bed minutes before leaving for school, giving them extra time to catch up on valuable sleep. During Winter Madness, various dress-up days were announced to allow Ames High School students to be more creative with their school outfits. The dress-up days this year were Pajama Day, Band T-shirt Day, 80's Clash Day, and Scurvy T-shirt Day. Some students went all out to carry on the traditions of dressing up for the special days. (photo by Greg Payne)

WRAP DOGGIE DOG: With a little help from his canine friend, senior **Brandon Crase** carefully puts the finishing touches on presents at the end of the Winter Madness week. As a member of Ames High student council, Crase helped in the week-long fundraiser and encouraged the student body to get involved in the variety of activities. During the course of the week, many events were held to raise money, including Game Show Night, Penny Wars, Jam Fest, and Jelly Bean Guess. All the money raised from Winter Madness was used to buy Christmas presents for four local families. At the end of the week, student council members, equipped with wish lists of the families, shopped, wrapped, and delivered the presents. Winter Madness has been a successful tradition for many years that has benefited, not only members of the community, but the students, as well. (photo by Greg Payne)



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9th B/BB @ Urbandale
JV B/BB Ft Dodge @ Home
9th G/BB Urbandale @ Home
JV G/BB @ Ft Dodge

10th/V B/BB @ Urbandale
10th/V G/BB @ Urbandale
B/SW @ Boone

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9th B/BB Lincoln @ Home
9th G/BB @ Lincoln
B/SW @ East
Central IA Symphony Concert

10th/V B/BB Lincoln @ Home
10th/V G/BB Lincoln @ Home
JV WR @ Saydel Tourn

9th/10th/V G/BB East @ Home
V WR @ Ft Dodge Invite

December

the force.

is with us

A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far, away...

It was a dark time for the Rebellion. Although the juniors' prestige had been nearly destroyed, devoted junior troops had driven the senior forces from their hidden base in the junior-senior room and pursued them across the galaxy and throughout the hallways of Ames High.

Evading the ever-challenging Class Olympics, a group of freedom fighters led by senior **Nate Staniforth** had established a new secret base on the remote world called The Back Lobby.

The evil lord junior **Nate Logsdon**, obsessed with defeating young Staniforth, had dispatched 8000 probes into the far reaches of... The Penny Wars.

It had appeared that all was lost for our beloved Senior Rebels. The evil and dreaded Lord Logsdon had devised a plan that would crush the success that the seniors had honestly achieved and conquer the Universe for the Dark Side. His scheme was simple: Find the

seniors' one uncontrollable weakness and crush their hope. The one and only weakness in this war of Madness was... The Penny War. Logsdon and his troops planned to put \$80 worth of pennies in the Junior penny jar and in so doing turn the tide at the last moment for the Empire.

"The competition was great until Nate Logsdon blew us out of the water. He cheated," Staniforth said.

Unfortunately for our heroes, the Imperial Troops invaded The Back Lobby and the small team of rebels were forced to flee and regroup at the rendezvous point, the Bank.

The rest is history. To spoil the ending, a tribe of furry beasts aided the freedom fighters and conquered the junior scum once and for all. At the rendezvous point the total scores reflected the victory: Seniors: 5280, Juniors: 3175.

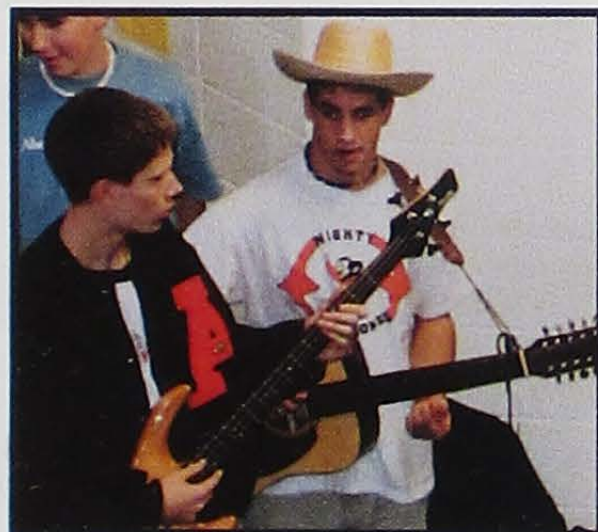
What of the Evil Lord Logsdon? He returned to the good side, "The Force wins again," he said.

"He was a clever chap, but he's a junior. Tough luck, maybe next year when he's a senior," senior Jedi Master **Brian Clark** said.

They all lived happily ever after. The End. (hum theme here)



he was a clever chap, but he was a junior ... tough luck, maybe next year



• **STRUMMIN' FOR CHANGE:** If you happened to attempt walking through the jam-packed back lobby between classes, you would have been greeted by a band wearing straw hats. You Tell Jimmy, including juniors **Ben Erbes** and **Nate Ward**, serenaded students on Thursday. Along with many other fundraising events, the band used an open guitar case to collect the spare change students threw them. Many students attempted to drop their change from the overhead balcony into the case. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

• **SURVEY SAYS . . . :** Junior **Nevin Sebastian** quizzes a member of the girls' Team Tailgate in Friendly Feud during Game Show Night. Members of the girls' Team Tailgate played against the boys' Team Tailgate to determine which team would emerge with the title of We Are Infinitely Superior To The Other Team." Some of the questions asked were: "What are the best restaurants in town?" and "Where were the best places to take a date in Ames?" The boys' team proved victorious and came away with the desired title. (photo by Amy Chung)



LONGwinded students

"The worst part about playing the violin is practicing. I love



performing. My favorite part about being in a band is jamming, when you play without music, and seeing what happens."

-Jen Lowry, junior



• **LET'S DO THE FUNKY CHICKEN:** Senior Kesha Johns, juniors Kiley Rebarcak and Sarah Beisser and senior Mona Dalal take a break from dancing at the Student Council-sponsored party on Friday. Despite the cancellation of the boys' and girls' Varsity basketball games, students flocked to the festivities to end the week with a bang. (photo by Greg Payne)

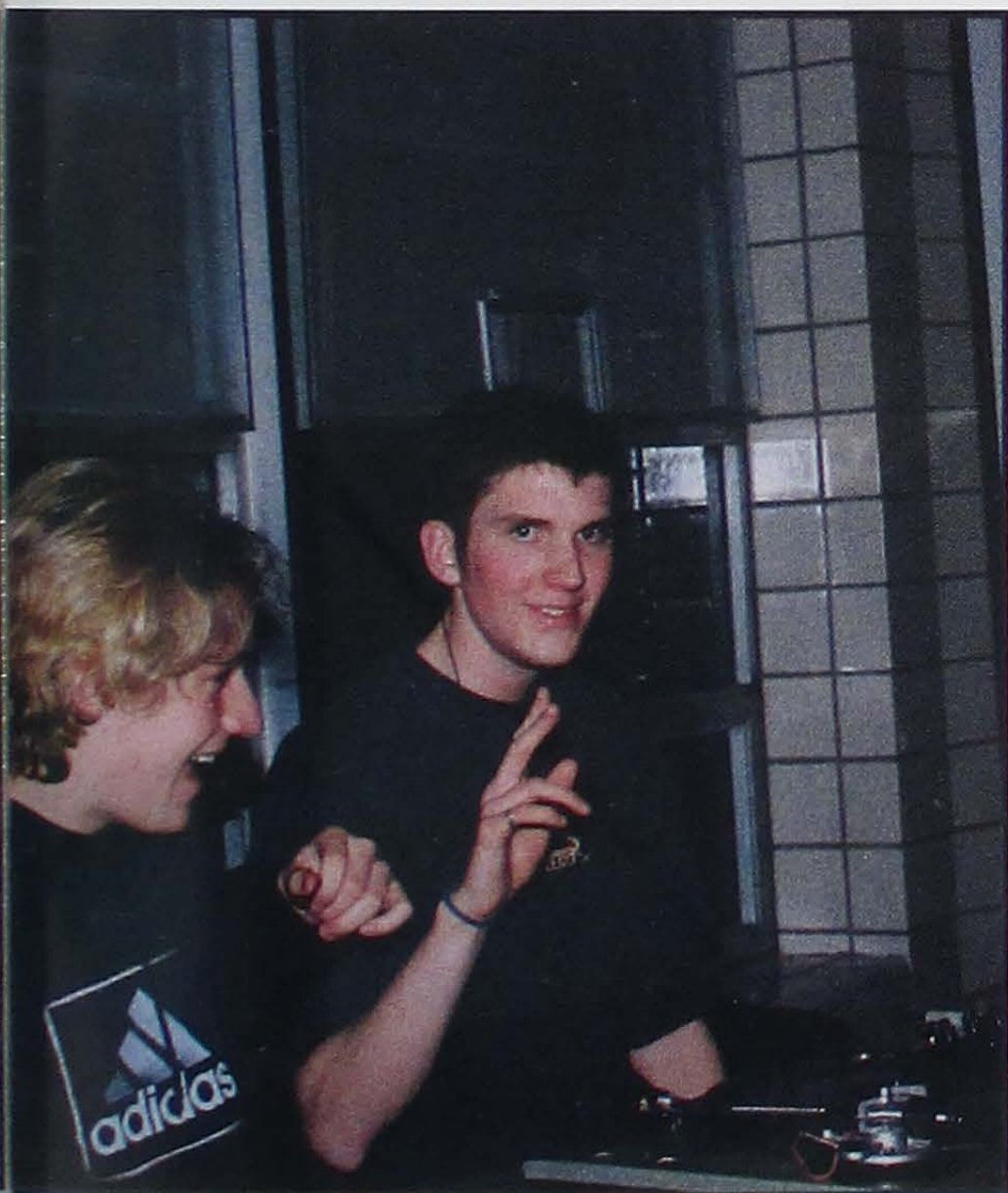
singled out



Senior **Mitchell Ridnour** questions junior **Andrew Brown** to narrow down the finalists attempting to earn a date with Brown. (photo by Amy Chung)



Junior **Dorota Pruski** perches on junior **Emily Gleeson's** lap as she cheers for finalists in the Singled Out game. (photo by Amy Chung)



• **PUMP UP THE JAM:** Senior **Dan Sherman** mixes it up at the school party while senior **Chris Norris** sits by and places a request. Sherman got the students out on the dance floor with his own musical style. Sherman was one of the only student disc jockeys available. After Sherman got the evening rolling, You Tell Jimmy picked up the pace. Paz took center stage after a brief intermission and delighted the audience with their blues and folk songs. The night was brought to a close with band members and party goes lighting up the dance floor. (photo by Greg Payne)



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• **MADAME BUTTERFLY:** Junior Julia Slocum finishes painting the wing of her butterfly for Dorothy Gugel's 2-D Art class. Many students spent free periods finishing their masterpieces in the relaxing art rooms. (photo by Amy Mekemson)



• **DOUBLE, DOUBLE, TOIL AND TROUBLE:** Senior Bizenge Chilongo writes his new-found data on his lab worksheet. Chilongo and the other students of Alan Junck's Survey of Chemistry class enjoyed the informational and interesting labs. (photo by Rita Carter)



• **NOTHIN' BUT NET:** Senior Elisa Arkovich concentrates on a forceful throw during the Little Cyclone's game against Mason City. "You can't pay attention to anything else," she said. "You need to focus on what you're doing, one hundred percent." (photo by Melissa Owen)



• **PAJAMA PARTY:** Senior Chelsea Fitch proudly demonstrates the "sloth look" during a free period. Students began dressing more casually in the days before Winter Break. "I love wearing my duck slippers!" Fitch said. (photo by Greg Payne)

What's Your Favorite Thing to Do in the Snow?

"Snow angels. It's a long story..."
--Junior Krystal Meyers

"I like to make snowmen."
--English teacher Julie Keith

"I like to dig tunnels and make forts!!"
--Junior Eric Schmidt

"I like to snow board."
--Senior Alison Buck

"I shove snow in Alison's face."
--Senior Brian Clark

"Skiing off cliffs."
--Junior Benjamin Bryden



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Snow Days

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- We have to make the day up (except for lucky seniors.) "Snow days are bad for everyone but seniors. While I will spend the first part of my summer making up snow days, my senior sister will have fun at the pool," sophomore **Elizabeth Song** said.
- We still have to wake up early to see if school is cancelled. "On snow days, I have to get up to see if it's cancelled, and I can never go back to sleep," senior **Amanda Parker** said.
- Activities are cancelled. "Our band concert was cancelled, so we had to tape it for the school channel during lunch the next day," senior **Julie Song** said.

- We get the day off. "Snow days give your brain time to heal from all the school work and tests. The best aspect of snow days is the relaxation," junior **Matthew Mowers** said.
- More time for sledding. "I love to sled. I always sled with my friends on snow days unless it's really cold outside. I go sledding at Death Hill or Cemetery Hill," senior **Joe Wanzek** said.
- Another day before the killer math test. "I was so glad to wake up on the day of a hard math test and find that school had been cancelled! It was the highlight of my week, and it gave me more time to study," senior **Abby Lundstrom** said.



DO YOU?



• **EYES WIDE OPEN:** Junior Sherry Cheuk sits on a garbage can in the back hallway after having her morning cappuccino. "I love coffee. It makes me act weird! My aim is to broaden peoples' horizons by introducing them to caffeination. If I ever get passionate about anything, it'll be coffee. If I don't have my coffee, I'm a grouch!" Cheuk said. Many students needed their A.M. caffeine to start the day. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

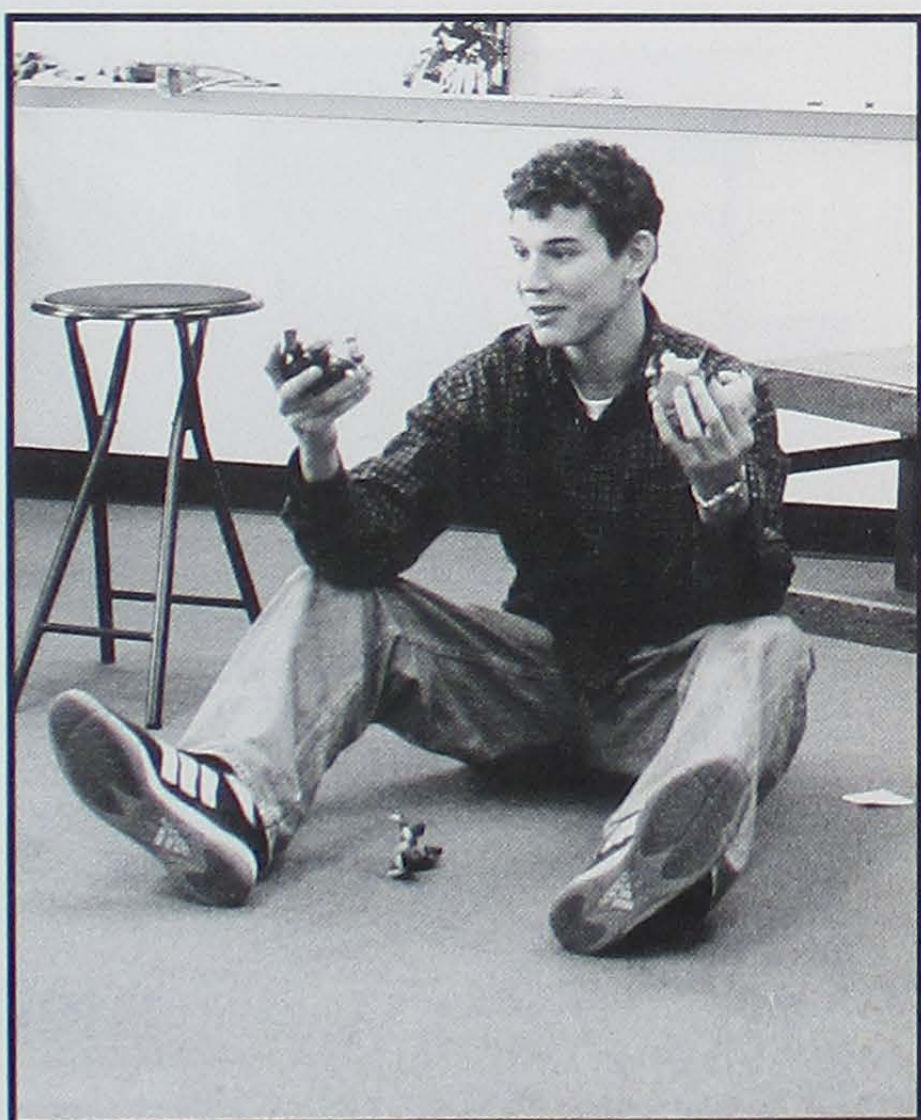


• **LOVE THAT LOBBY LOITERING:** Junior Sandy Cheung laughs heartily as she spends her beloved free time in the front lobby. "I love to just talk with friends during free periods. It's so relaxing, and it is a great break from the usual school routine. I always look forward to being with my friends during my free periods - it's what makes them so nice," Cheung said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **I'M A COWGIRL, BABY:** Excited members of the Ames High Drill Team jive to their cowgirl music during half time of the Varsity girls' basketball game. "I love drill team. The dances are so much fun to perform, and we learn new ones all the time. All of us have so much fun together. Starting with the summer practices and fundraising, all of our hard work has been worth it. Because of our dedication and great dancing, we did really well at State competition this year. Two of our dances placed second and third at the competition; that has never been done ever before in the history of Ames High Drill Team. Besides, I always love wearing my hair in a high ponytail!" junior Allison Mahan said. (photo by Amy Chung)

• **TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES, TURTLES IN A HALF HELL (DOOT, DOOT):** Junior Ritz enthusiastically presents his precious boyhood toys to his peers during Barbara Peterson's Spanish III class. Ritz and his classmates brought such sentimental memorabilia to class because of an assignment to orally present something from the past using preterite verbs. "Donatello, Michelangelo, Raphael, and Leonardo... I loved the teenage mutant ninja turtles when I was a little kid. I religiously watched their show every single day. I still have all of the official action figures. When I was a little kid, I never would have guessed that the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles could have possibly helped me so much with lots of school assignments. I can get through my Spanish class solely because I have turtle power! Cowabunga, dude!" Ritz said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



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JV B/BB @ Marshalltown
JV G/BB Marshalltown @
Home
Holiday Band Concert

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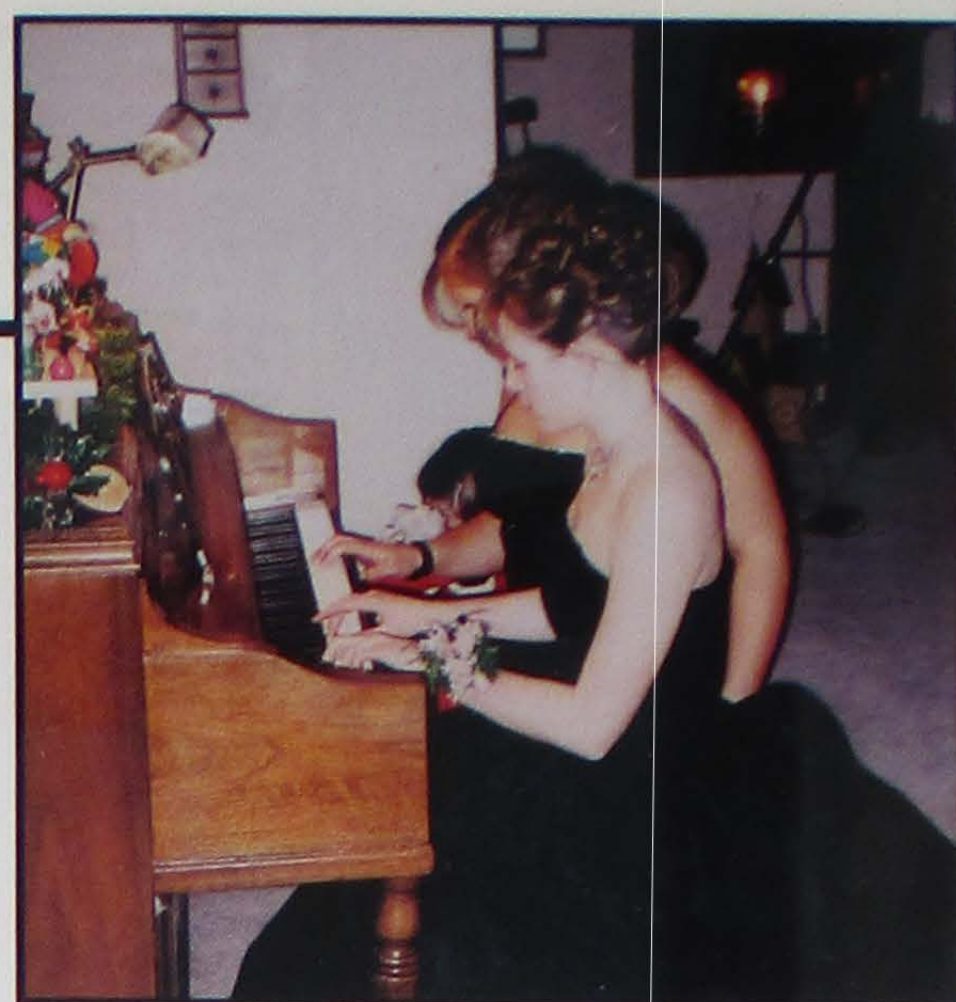
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• **LOW RIDER:** Taking a break from dancing, senior **Billy Warren** attempts to attack the ladies with his suaveness. Unfortunately all he received were odd looks and comments. (photo courtesy of Lindsay Erickson)

• **HEART AND SOUL:** Seniors **Anne Legg** and **Jessie Kinyon** practice their keyboard skills at the home of **Amanda Burke** after standing in the spotlight of their paparazzi parents. "After the picture taking I decided to entertain our group with a little of my piano skills. I guess they paid off," said Kinyon. It was yet another way groups passed the time before the dance. (photo by Amanda Burke)



• **TIC TAC TOE, THREE IN A ROW:** Seniors **Jordan Whalen** and **Jason Garwood** put their minds together to make the next logical move in their challenging game of Tic-Tac-Tooe. Students found many interesting ways to occupy themselves before the dance. (photo by Amanda Burke)

• **GIRLS' NIGHT OUT:** Seniors **Karina Jensen**, **Jennifer Yates**, **Amy Mekemson**, and **Kira Shonkwiler** and a student from another school pose for a picture during Winter Formal. It was not an uncommon practice to invite friends from outside the district to school dances. Even former students who are now in college have been known to return and take part in the festivities. (photo courtesy of Amy Mekemson)



• **COOKING IT UP:** Sophomore **Allison Burke** prepares dinner on Winter Formal night. Many students opted to cook rather than spend money going out to eat. "The next best thing to attending the dance was showing my cooking skills for my sister and her friends," said Burke. (photo by Amanda Burke)

Were You a Big Spender?

Mode of transport?

- A. '66 Rusted out Bug
- B. '99 Corvette
- C. Hundred-foot stretch limousine

How "Formal" were you?

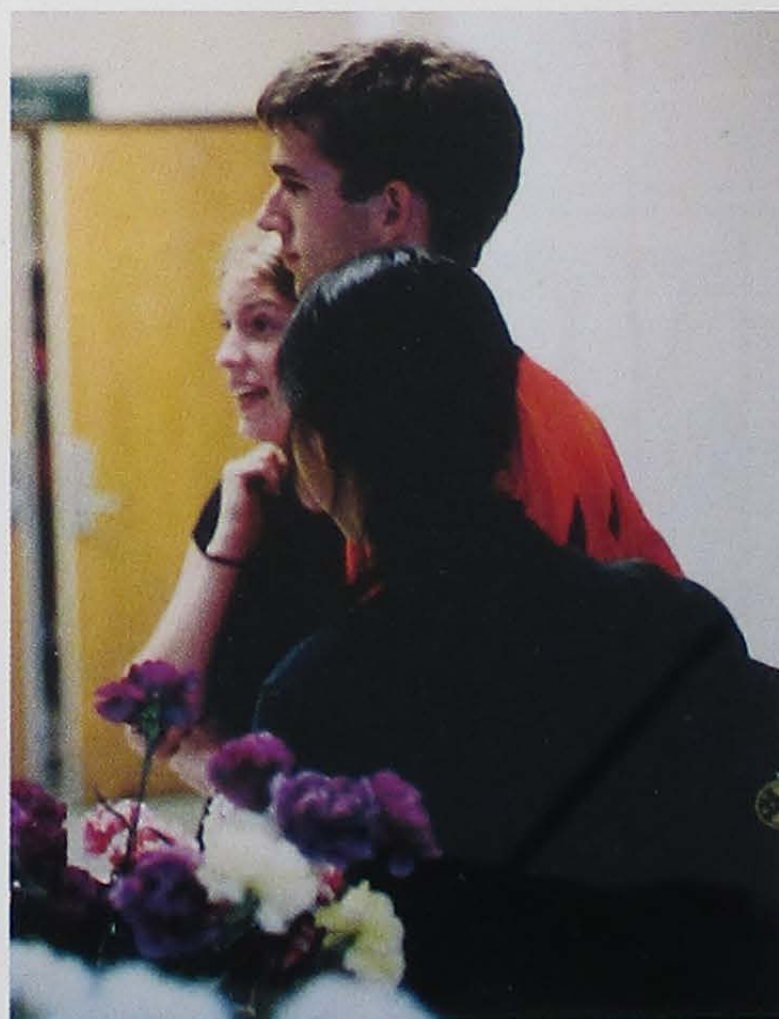
- A. Whatever was clean on the floor
- B. I shopped at Schaffer's
- C. Mom's wedding dress

Floral attire

- A. The weeds I picked out of my date's front yard
- B. Three sweetheart roses
- C. "Rose Bowl" was taken too literally

Resturant

- A. Hardee's
- B. Aunt Maude's
- C. Atop the Space Needle in Seattle



If you chose ...

Mostly A's:
What kind of a date are you? Isn't the whole point of Winter Formal to show your special person how much you care? You should be ashamed of yourself.

Mostly B's:
You get an average rating in the spending department. Your date was satisfied but not wowed by your gifts.

Mostly C's:
Since you can afford all those wonderful things for your date, how about a little donation to year-book. Please?

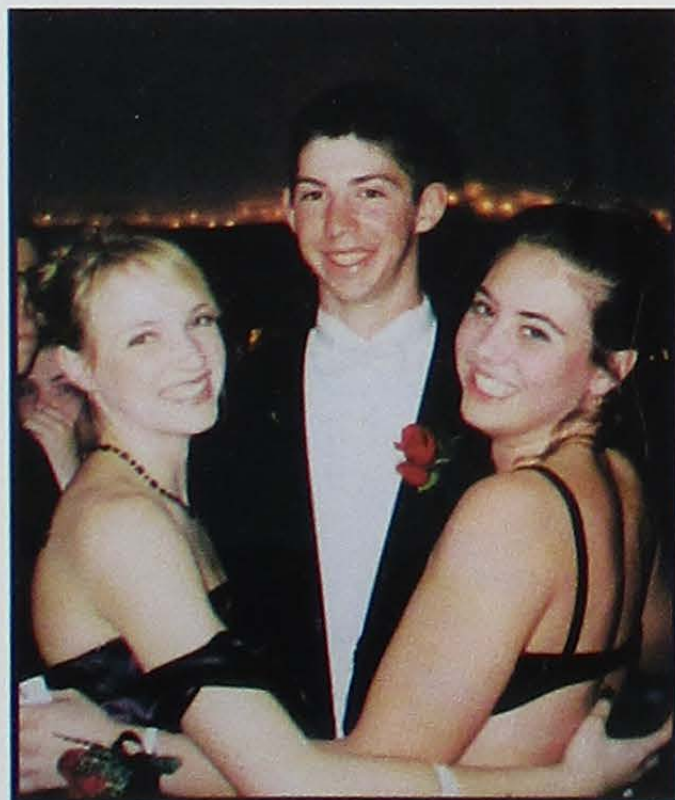
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Seniors **Kim Rogers**, **Rita Carter**, a Gilbert student, **Sylvia Fanous**, **Melissa Shill**, and junior **Carrie Samson** show off their beautiful dresses and smiles during Winter Formal. The dance was not strictly for couples; many students attended with their friends. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **I WILL REMEMBER YOU; WILL YOU REMEMBER ME?:** Senior Winter Formal King **Nate Staniforth** and Queen **Mona Dalal** share their first dance together immediately after being crowned King and Queen of Winter Formal 2000. They danced to "I Will Remember You" by Sarah McLaughlan, the song on which the theme of Winter Formal, "I Will Remember You," was based. The spotlight dance turned out to be less romantic for Staniforth than he had planned. "The thrill of becoming Winter Formal King was dulled soon after the announcement was made because, in the middle of the king and queen dance, Mona ditched me to go dance with senior **Mitchell Ridnour**. What a queen to be king with. That really hurt," Staniforth said. (photo by Greg Payne)

MAY I HAVE THIS DANCE?: Sophomore **Andrea Ottoman** joins seniors **Michael Miller** and **Emily Polich** for a dance. Ottoman was unable to find her date, senior **Brandon Melius**, on the floor during a slow dance. Polich, seeing Ottoman lost in crowd, invited Ottoman to dance as a group with herself and Miller. Traditionally, the gentlemen asked the ladies to be their dates to dances, but Winter Formal was the dance in which the roles are reversed and the ladies asked the gentlemen. Although it was nerve-racking for the girls to ask the guys, some found it to be an excellent excuse to be creative. One especially unique idea involved a senior girl blowing up several balloons, each containing a single word. As her date popped each one of them, pieces of paper fell out and slowly began to spell out "will you go to Winter Formal with me?" (photo by Greg Payne)



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Winter Vacation
NO SCHOOL
Christmas Day

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Winter Vacation
NO SCHOOL
Kwanzaa Begins

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Winter Vacation
NO SCHOOL

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Winter Vacation
NO SCHOOL

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Winter Vacation
NO SCHOOL
Winter Formal

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By
Jen
Alexander

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For many, the turn of century was to be the end of the world. Psychics and experts alike predicted an unfortunate future. People stocked up on water rations and dry food in anticipation of the coming crisis.

According to these experts, computers were to fail at the start of 2000, causing food shortages, increase in crime and mass hysteria. By May of 2000 we were all to be living off rations and candlelight. However, the only real tragedy were the rising gasoline prices. Students partied through the ball dropping and looked back at the year 2000, forgetting all of the end-of-the-world hype. Some students took the traditional approach to ringing in the New Year with at-home get-togethers. Others looked for ways to put a spin on the age old

celebration. "My friends and I rented a room at County Inn to celebrate the New Year. We were able to stay up late and not have to worry about the after-party mess in the morning," freshman Alyssa Moore said.

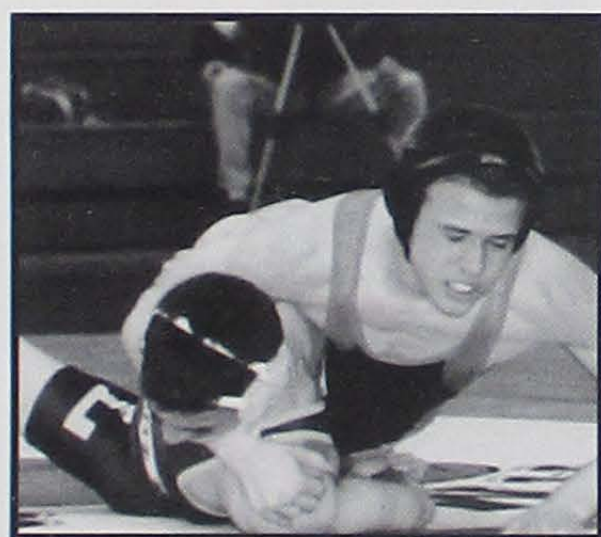
Still other students looked forward to outdoing their Millennium celebrations.

"This year I came up with the theme of the Olympics. The guests were split into teams, and they had to design a flag and write an anthem for the fictional country they represented," junior Megan Greulich said.

Lastly, students like junior Nima Golchin rang in 2001 with Dick Clark, proving that all the hype was didn't change his New Year's traditions, "I watch the ball drop every year. I never miss it," Golchin said.



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• **TAKING IT TO THE MAT:** Making a move on his opponent, sophomore **Josh Marker** struggles to pin a Lincoln wrestler by casting out. Marker, a member of the 119 pound weight class, was defeated by a score of 7 to 9, and Ames came away from the meet with a loss. The Lincoln wrestler was able to win the match with a move called the Fireman's Carry, which entails throwing an opponent over one's shoulder. "Even though I wasn't able to get out of the move, I learned how to for next time," Marker said. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **WHAT BIG EYES YOU HAVE ... :** After donning a threatening wolf get-up for the upcoming costume ball, freshman **Heidi Grove** scares fellow castmates **Rebecca Raab** and **Andrea Vos**. The students were performing the dress rehearsal for the freshmen large-group one act, *Little Red Snarcs the Wolf*, in preparation for the Speech Club competition. The one act was a modern take on the real play, *Little Red Riding Hood*, in which Little Red hopes to attend the costume ball with Francois, the wolf. In the end, her wish is granted and the two dance the night away. (photo Greg Payne)



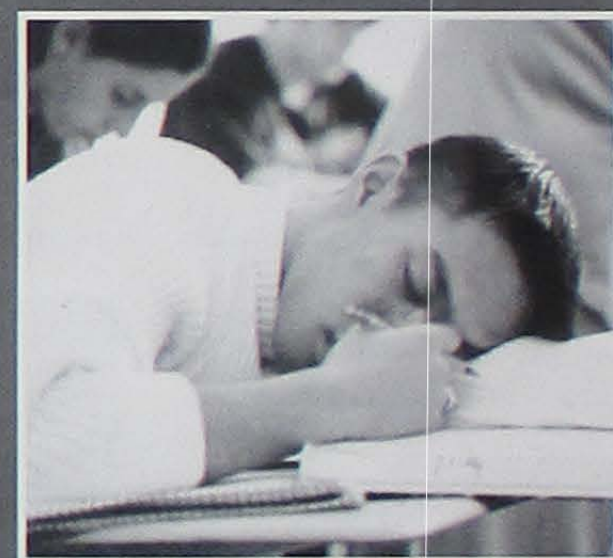
Rock-a-bye ...

"Sngnix
.....Shoo
...Sngnix
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....."

Junior
Rishal
Haroon
creatively

describes his relaxation during his favorite class. He was practicing the artistic technique of meditation while learning through osmosis.

-Junior Rishal Haroon





• **GET THE PUCK OUTTA HERE:** Senior **Peter Ringlee** shows off his excellent air hockey skills to senior **Jacob Hammons** at the game room in the Memorial Union. Students often gathered on the weekends to shoot some pool or bowl at the blacklight alley. Also available for entertainment were video games, a juke box and foosball. (photo by Greg Payne)

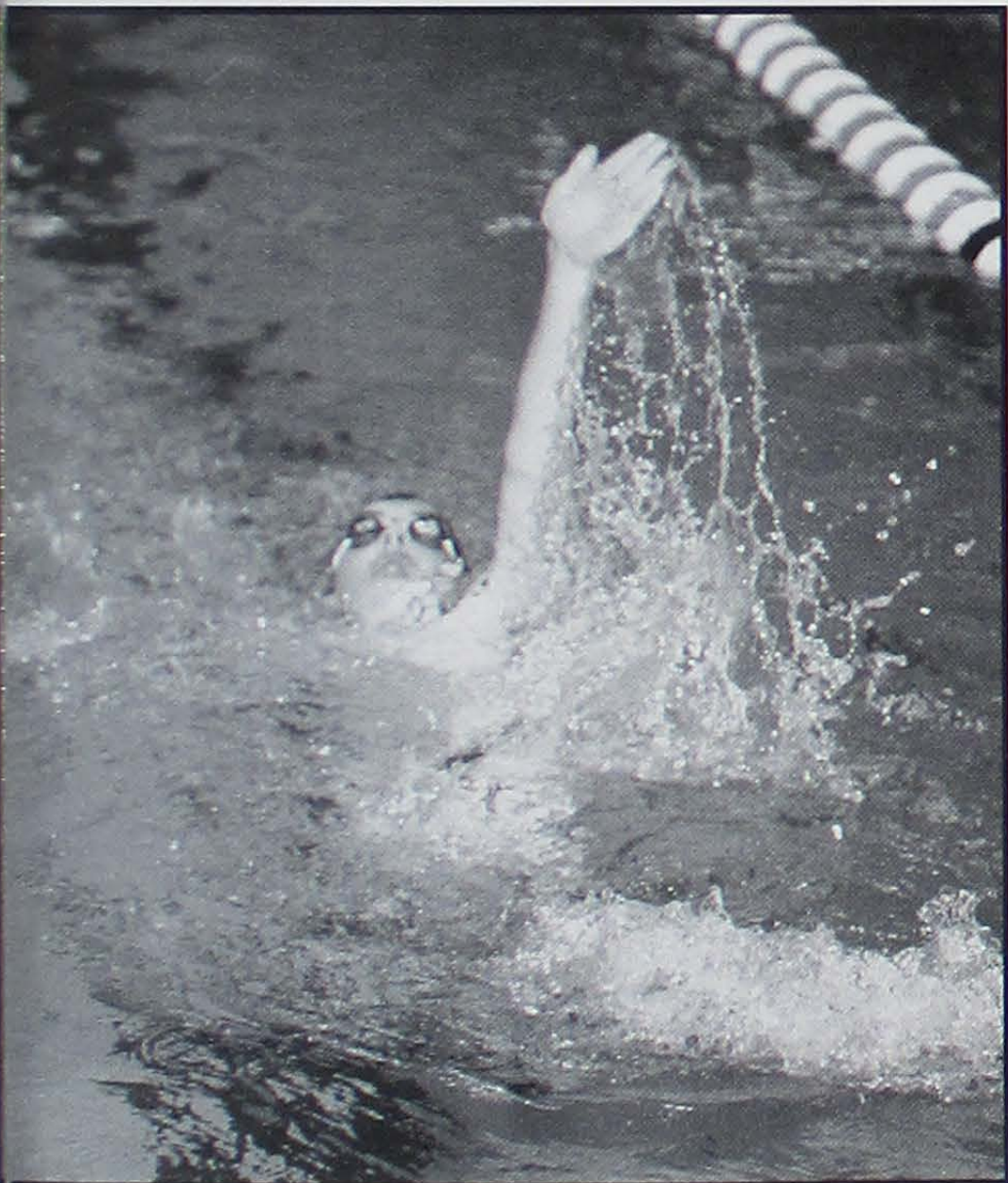
cheer leading



With much force and enthusiasm, junior **Kate McHugh** claps while cheering at a girls' Varsity basketball game. (photo by Greg Payne)



Proving that the cheerleaders were doing their job, seniors **Matt Stolmeier** and **Mitchell Ridnour** show their school spirit at a game. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **REACH FOR THE WAVES:** During the home meet against Lincoln, sophomore **Adam Rowings** swims the 100 meter backstroke for the Junior Varsity team. Ames' outstanding performance won the meet. The Ames boys were able sweep the meet and won first place in almost every event. The only race Ames was unable to come out on top was the 100 meter breaststroke, in which they placed second. "I really enjoyed the friendships I made and was proud of the guys because of how well we got along. I was also proud of the fact that JV was undefeated," Rowings said. (photo by Melisse Owen)

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New Year's Eve

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Winter Vacation-NO
SCHOOL
New Year's Day

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Winter Vacation-NO
SCHOOL

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Classes Resume

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B/SW Lincoln @ Home
WR Lincoln @ Home

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• **SUNSHINE ON A CLOUDY DAY:** Junior Karen Ladjahasen attempts to spread some cheer on her friend's birthday by decorating her locker. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **GOOD NIGHT, SLEEP TIGHT:** Sophomore Latisha Myers settles down for a long night's rest and relaxation after a day of strenuous semester finals. (photo by Allison Burke)



• **CAT NAP:** During the yearbook class period, senior Rita Carter and sophomore Allison Burke sleep to relieve the day's stress. One usually had no problem finding a sleeping person in the journalism room at any given moment. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **V-I-C-T-O-R-Y:** The boys varsity team clears the bench in celebration of their impressive win against the Newton Cardinals. Stellar hustle plays and great teamwork combined for an easy defense of the home court. (Photo by Melissa Owen)

What was the hardest final you ever took in high school?

Compiled by Susana Goldman

"It was in a course called Family Relations. I had to pass the final in order to graduate with my class. The pressure was really on."

- History teacher **Kirk Daddow**

"I was good at doing teacher impressions. My classmates would always beg me to do my imitation of the geometry teacher saying, 'Do you want a quiz?' So it's no wonder that math was always my hardest final."

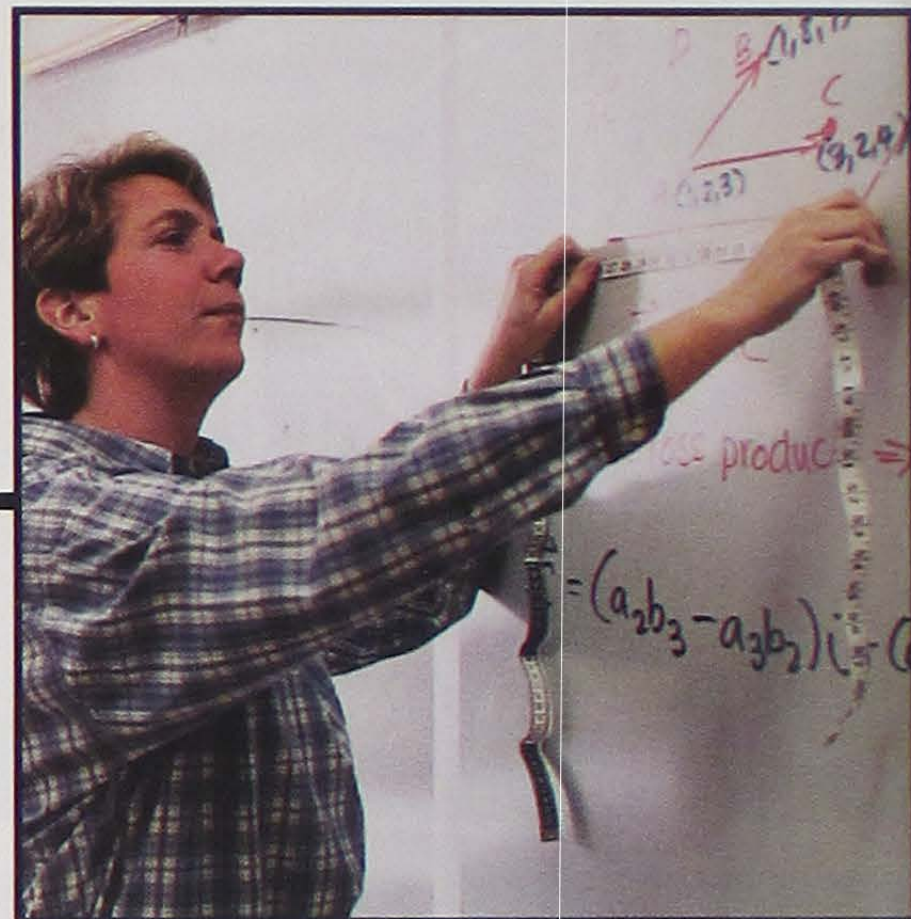
- Choir teacher **Steven Linn**

"We didn't have finals. I don't think they'd been invented yet."

- Social Sciences teacher **Bob Uetz**

"AP English. I didn't read the book *Siddhartha* until years later—out of guilt."

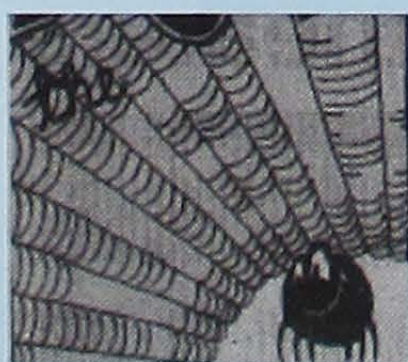
- Math teacher **Teresa Testroet**



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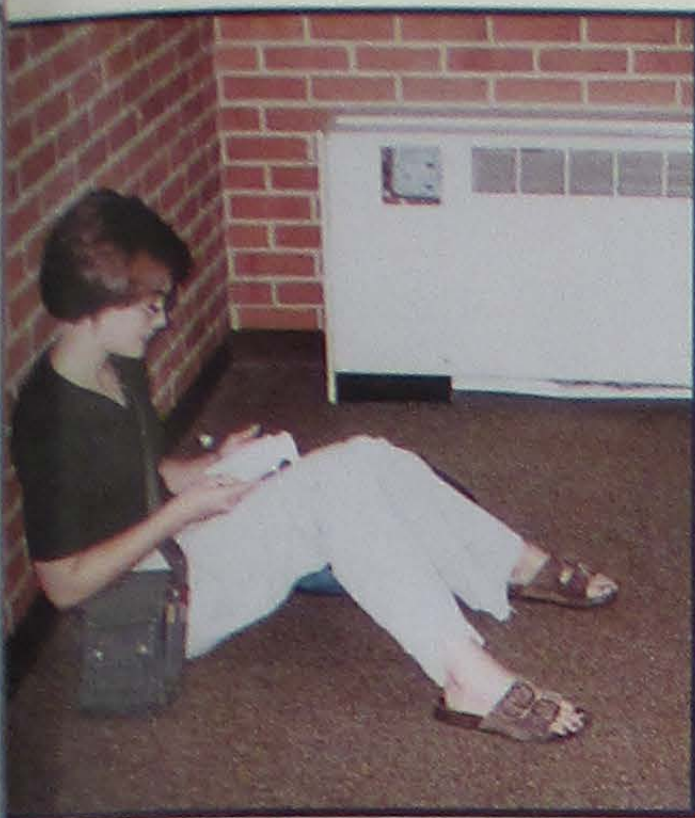
SPIRIT



- Web was put out at least once a month (or so they said).
- They believe they fought "the damn Red Coats and threw 'em back to King George, crying all the way home."
- The Web was free of charge.
- The Web was recyclable. (Maybe you used it to house-train your new puppy.)
- The Web reported on current events.
- The Web provided entertainment to read during your least favorite classes.
- The Web allowed students to write in their own captions to pictures. (Could this be because they couldn't keep up with SPIRIT?)

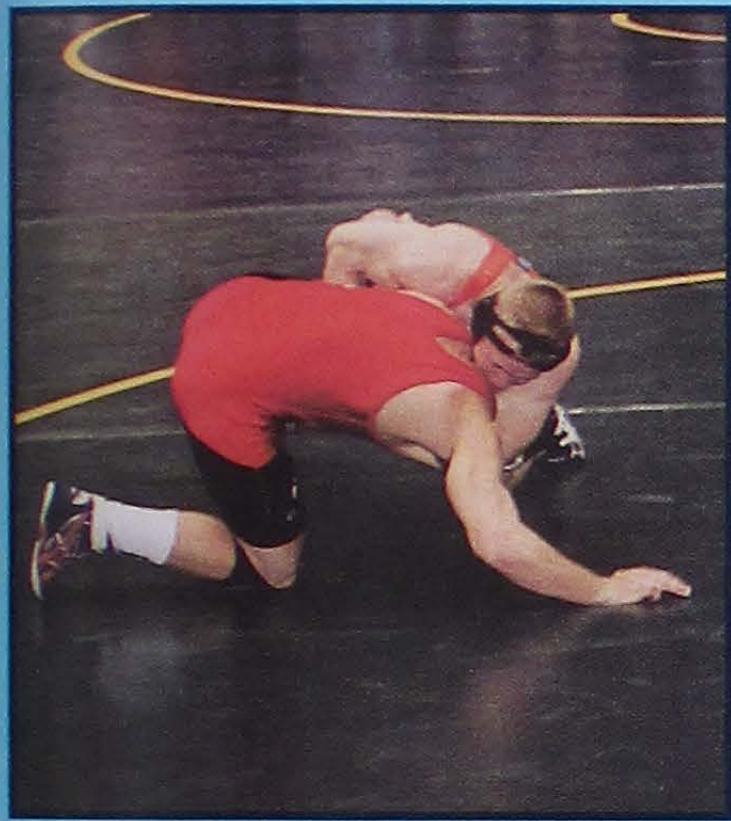
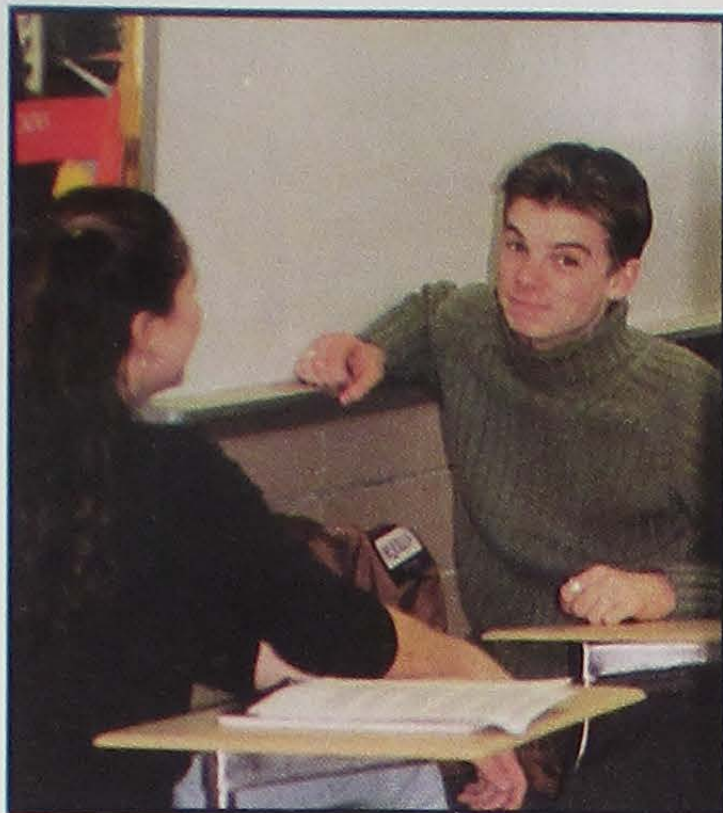
- SPIRIT was a professionally published book. Enough said.
- SPIRIT had professional stationery including the motto: "Capturing Your Memories...Year After Year."
- SPIRIT was here first.
- SPIRIT rode with two wheels, but the Web needed a tricycle. (We had two editors and they needed three.)
- SPIRIT had the REAL Webb; Mr. James Webb, that is.
- SPIRIT put up with Web, who always stole markers, paper, toner, the couch, computers, and pictures.
- SPIRIT had mix-master Greg "GAP" Payne to supply us with motivational music and a CD player. (Web abused that, too.)





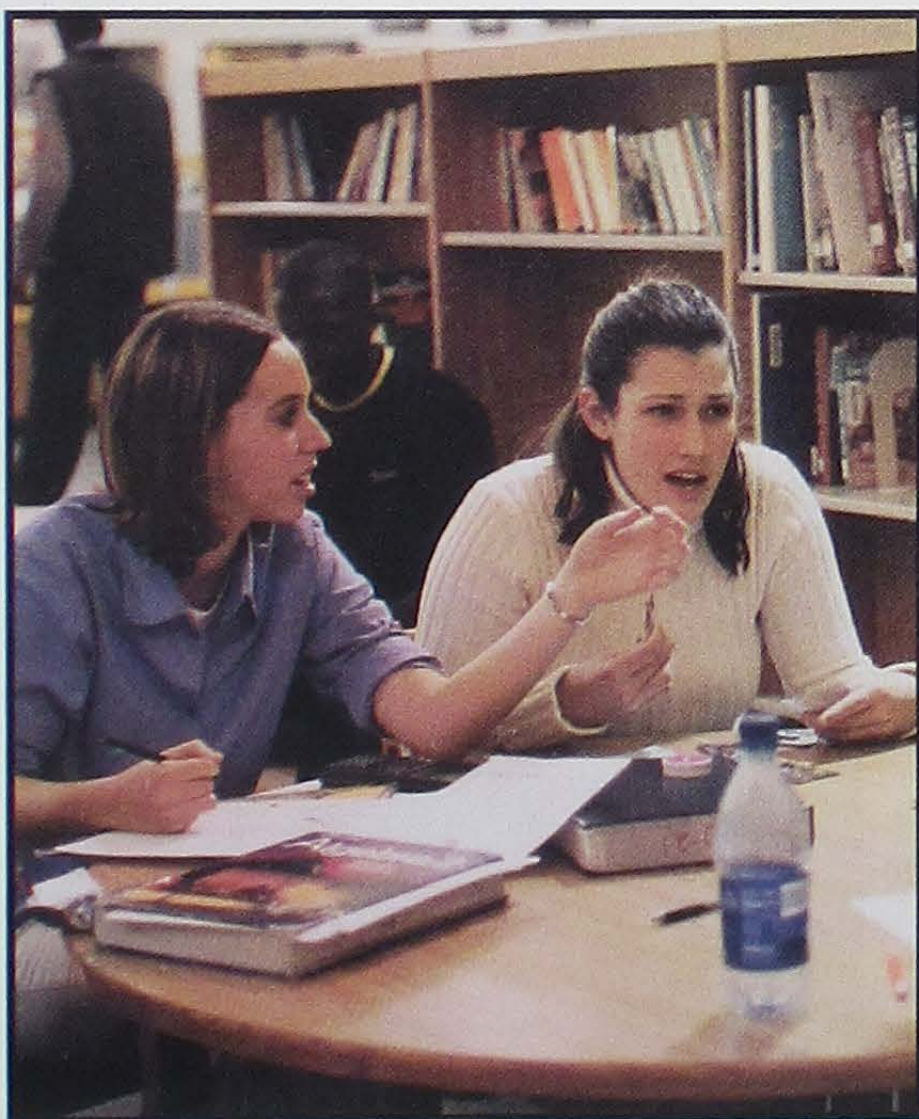
TAKE A LOOK, IN A BOOK: Senior Megan Woods discovers one of the few isolated locations in the school and settles down to study for her semester finals. Many students found it difficult to study for their next final in a quiet atmosphere due to the large number of students who wandered the halls during the thirty minute break. Crowds were also avoided by studying in a test classroom. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **TALKING UP A STORM:** Indulging in a relaxing conversation, juniors Les Schwiebert and Rachelle Ruggle take a break from their stressful testing schedules. "It is really nice to have thirty minutes between each final to be able to study at the last minute and talk to friends about their finals, even though it adds an extra hour to the school day," Ruggle said. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **PUSHING FOR THE PIN:** With a strong hold on his opponent's neck, junior Matt Kinker moves in for the pin against a Hoover wrestler during the Estherville Tournament. In his second year on the wrestling team, Kinker's achievements from previous years rewarded him with a returning spot on the Varsity roster. Unfortunately, his enthusiastic competition was hindered halfway through the season with a debilitating injury. "I was having a great match, even though my arm was impaled," Kinker said. Though it was an untimely loss for the Little Cyclones, Kinker's teammates pulled through with a second place victory against the opposing teams. Kinker re-directed his enthusiasm toward encouraging his teammates. (photo by Greg Payne)

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! On an unhappy final day, juniors Stephanie Moore and Kate McHugh argue in the Media Center. Spending thirty minutes to relax before the last final of the day gave the two girls a chance to unwind. "My hardest final was Algebra 2. I was really nervous for it because I had to get a good grade. Kate was trying to help me, but it was a really stressful thirty minutes," Moore said. The final school days were designed to lessen stress, but students found that the schedule was still grueling: Four finals per day with thirty minutes between finals. Also, the entire school operated on the open campus system and received one hour for lunch. "I think we should have two finals a day instead of four. That way we could have half days of school and complete finals in four days. That would allow for more studying time," McHugh said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



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JV B/BB Newton @ Home
JV G/BB @ Newton

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Semester Tests

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Semester Tests

Workshop Day - NO SCHOOL
9th/10th/V B/BB Mason City @ Home
9th/10th/V G/BB @ Mason City

State Jazz Band Festival
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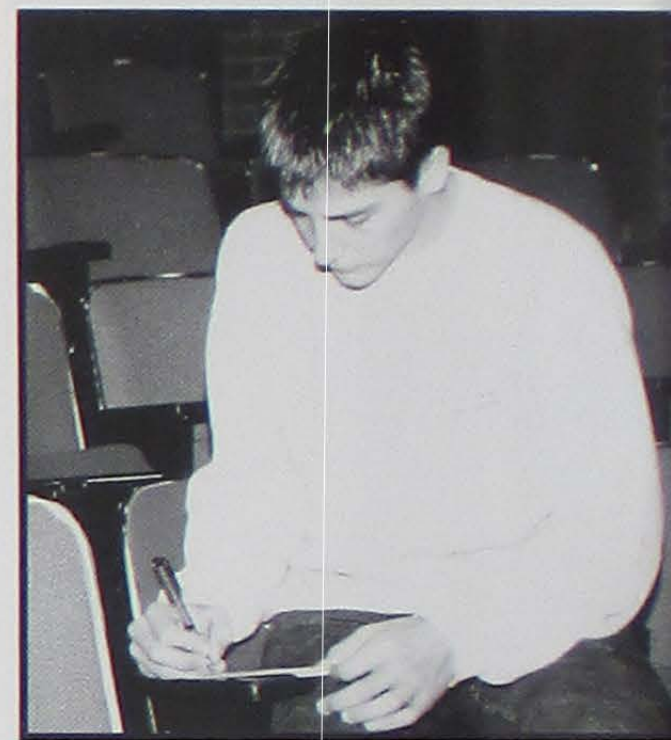
• **TOOTING HER OWN HORN:** Freshman **Heidi Grove** closes her eyes in concentration while she expressively plays her saxophone during the basketball game against Marshalltown. Grove was a member of the spirit-making pep band. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **DANCING KINGS:** Members of the male Drill Team bust some moves during half-time of the boys' Varsity basketball game against Fort Dodge. The creative dances were always crowd-pleasers. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT:** Juniors **Jon Russell** and **Anat Shinar** take a break to drink Hawaiian Punch while practicing for the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day assembly. Produced by the Human Relations Commission, the assembly promoted school diversity and acceptance. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **C'MON GIRLS, EXPRESS YOURSELF:** Sophomore **Madeleine Russell** and senior **Mitchell Ridnour** expressively carry a conversation during a dress rehearsal for the speech club's upcoming large-group performance. "All of the off-season lifting, conditioning, and wind sprints really paid off. We received all 1 ratings at districts and hope to do the same at State on February 3," Ridnour said. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **DECISIONS, DECISIONS:** Senior **N. Inglett** carefully votes on his ballot concerning the date of prom. Originally scheduled for eve of Passover, an assembly was held during which students could vote to change the date of prom so Jewish students could celebrate Passover as usual. (photo by Greg Payne)

Are You a Linguist or Linguini?

Are you cut out for the rigor of speech club?

After you give a speech, your peers:

- A. Give you a standing ovation
- B. Are asleep
- C. Applaud politely

How do you pronounce indictment?

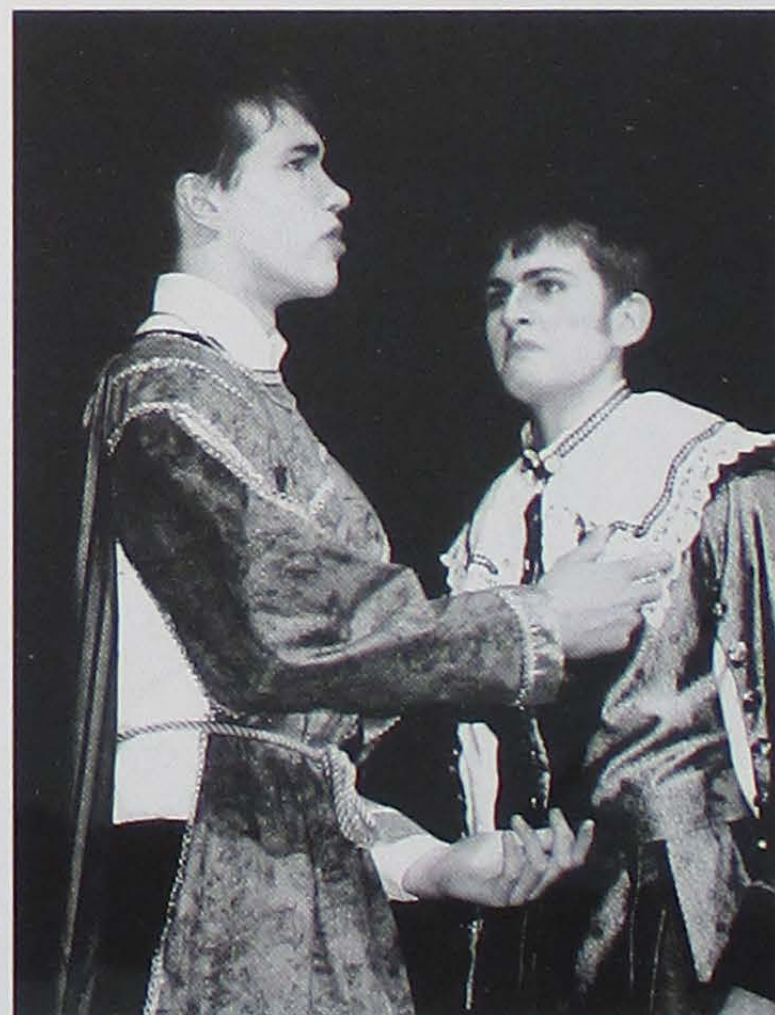
- A. in-dite-mint
- B. in-verse tan-gent
- C. in-dikt-mint

Your speeches:

- A. Rival those of MLK, Jr.
- B. Are about your pet rock's daily activities
- C. Get you decent grades

How do you pronounce psychology?

- A. Sigh-co-low-gee
- B. Peace-out
- C. P-sigh-choke, choke!



If you chose:

Mostly A's: You should be a speech club superstar, if you aren't already. You practically are Mr. Webster Merriam.

Mostly B's: Bonjour?! Do you even know how to speak English? Get to a tutor, and fast.

Mostly C's: You are the average Joe Schmoe when it comes to speech. Keep reading your dictionary to become an honorary member of speech club.

Seniors **David Melby** and **Mitchell Ridnour** practice their speech performance. (photo by Payne)

prom

Junior **Anat Shinar** and seniors **Alison Buck** and **Neha Kothari** distribute "Change the Date" stickers, protesting the scheduling of prom on April 7th, the eve of Passover. The stickers allowed many to express their opinions during the open forum held to resolve the issue. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW IS LOVE, SWEET LOVE:** Senior **Brynna Dieter** performs in a skit as she squints into the audience while the bright lights of the auditorium stage shine on her. Dieter was a member of the Human Relations Committee and participated in the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day assembly. The goal of the assembly was to increase diversity and acceptance at Ames High School and rekindle the ideas and immense efforts of Martin Luther King, Jr. that aided the desegregation of the United States in the 1960's. The assembly included skits concerning the effects of exclusion, friendship-promoting songs, and presentations of awards recognizing senior **Sarah Lasley** for her volunteer efforts and senior **Angela Bennett** for her diversity essay. (photo by Greg Payne)

EXCUSE ME, COMING THROUGH: Senior **Michael Miller** makes use of his height and enormous expertise to rise above the three Marshalltown basketball players around him. Making the basket, Miller's gravity-defying shot not increased the Ames High Little Cyclone's score and helped the team win against the Bobcats, 55-49. The Little Cyclones' exceptional, esteem-building win was due to the extreme, wide-spread talent of the team. For seniors like Miller, each win was an important milestone that summed up their incredible experiences as part of the Ames High boys' basketball team. However, Miller's basketball memories did not end after his high school senior year season; he planned to attend the University of Northern Iowa and play basketball for the Panthers, continuing his extensive basketball career. (photo by Greg Payne)



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MLK Assembly
JV B/BB @ Valley
JV G/BB Valley @ Home

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9thA/10th/V B/BB Ft
Dodge @ Home
9thA/10th/V G/BB @ Ft
Dodge

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Large Group Speech
Performance
B/SW @ Mason City
WR @ Mason City

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9th/10th/V B/BB
Marshalltown @ Home
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District Large Group
Speech
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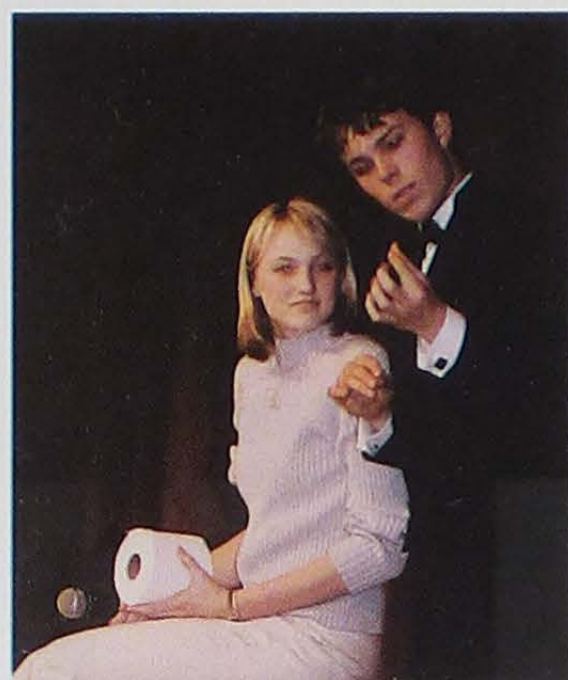
honor

By
Julie
Prindle

of magic

"Nate is truly a theatrical genius," senior **Megan Maher** said of senior **Nate Staniforth**. Maher, an assistant in Staniforth's magic show, was chosen from a number of applicants desiring to participate in the second annual "A Night of Magic." "I expected Nate to be intense during practice after receiving his list of expectations. It was a lot of work, but it was worth it. The week before the production, myself and the other crew members worked from after school until midnight each night. Every trick had to be perfect regardless of the difficulty level."

The production was not just a fundraiser, but was also a chance for Staniforth to show his talent to the community. "We wanted to do well for him."



Being in the magic show was different than being in a play because if we made a mistake and let him down it hurt his name, not just ours," Maher said.

Throughout the rehearsal weeks, crew members became close as they practiced applying make-up, finding costumes, and laughing at Jon in his shorts. "We became a really close-knit group together due to the time it took to perfect the show," Maher said.

During all three performances, Staniforth awed the audiences with illusions including "Metamorphosis," "The Shadow" and an interpretation of *Phantom of the Opera*. These incorporated disappearing acts, dynamic music, and special effects.

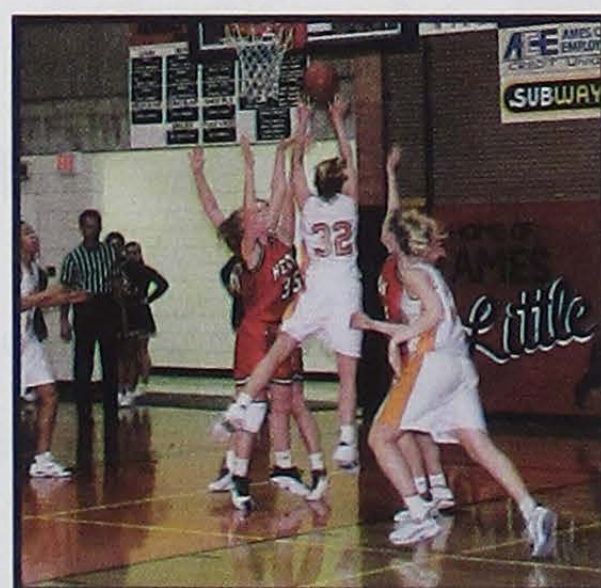
The hard work of those involved in the production was a success; the show raised over \$4,000 for the drama department.

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• **FREEZING THE GOALIE:** Freshman **Brent Swanson** puts the puck past the opposing goaltender as the Little Cyclones skate to a 2-2 tie with the Des Moines Stars. While juniors and seniors dominated the Varsity level of most sports, Varsity hockey featured members of all grade levels. This opportunity allowed underclassmen to play to their full potential and be recognized for their athletic ability. "I felt pretty cool because it was an important game and I'm a freshman and I scored," Swanson said. (photo by Melisse Owen)

• **WHO SAYS WHITE WOMEN CAN'T JUMP?:** Senior **Megan Morrow** (32) jumps up for a layup at Tuesday's girls' basketball game against Newton. Ames won the game by a score of 63-33. Morrow's shot was one of the many baskets that allowed the Cyclones to take such a commanding lead over the Cardinals. "All I was thinking was 'please, go in,'" Morrow said about the shot. After rolling around on the rim for a second, the shot finally sunk and the Cyclones continued on their drive to victory. (photo by Greg Payne)

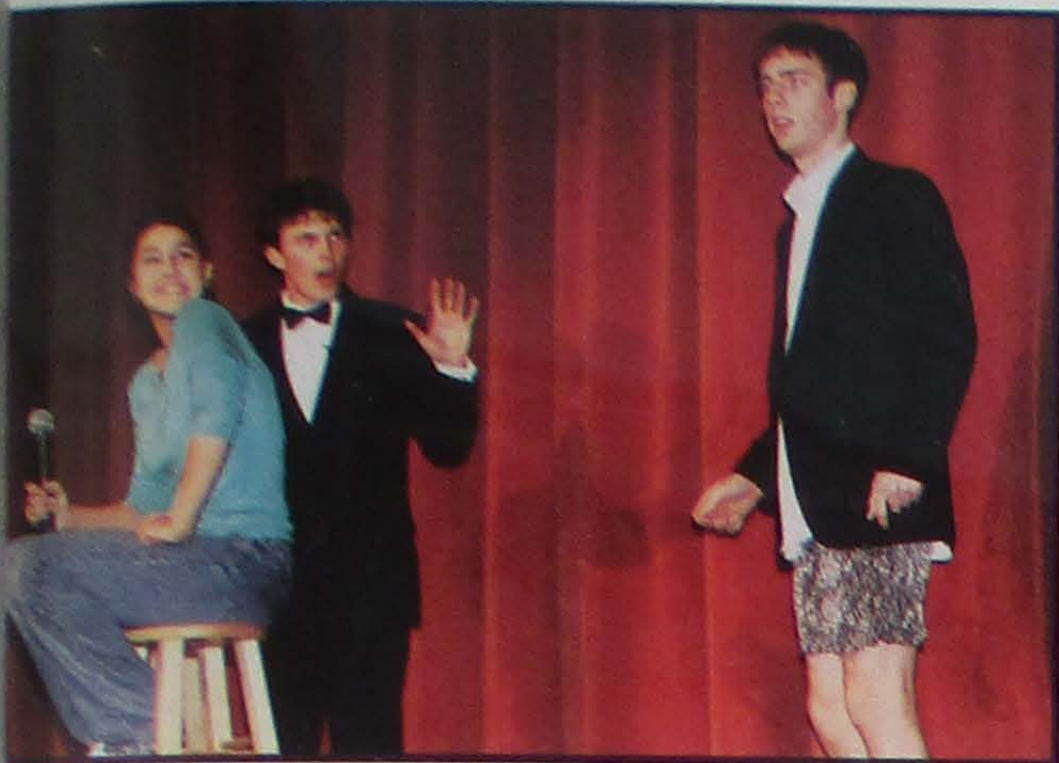


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Junior
**Nathan
Kapke**
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while playing a song to pep up the basketball team. To help them get into the spirit, the pep band organized several dress-up nights. Their outrageous costumes entertained the audience as well as the players.



• **CAUGHT IN THE ACT:** Sophomore Linor Vaknin tries to keep a straight face as seniors Jon Sargent and Nate Staniforth perform during the magic show. Vaknin was called from the audience to help with a series of tricks. "I've had this dream before," she said. "Being on stage with two hot guys, one of them being in his underwear." (photo by Greg Payne)

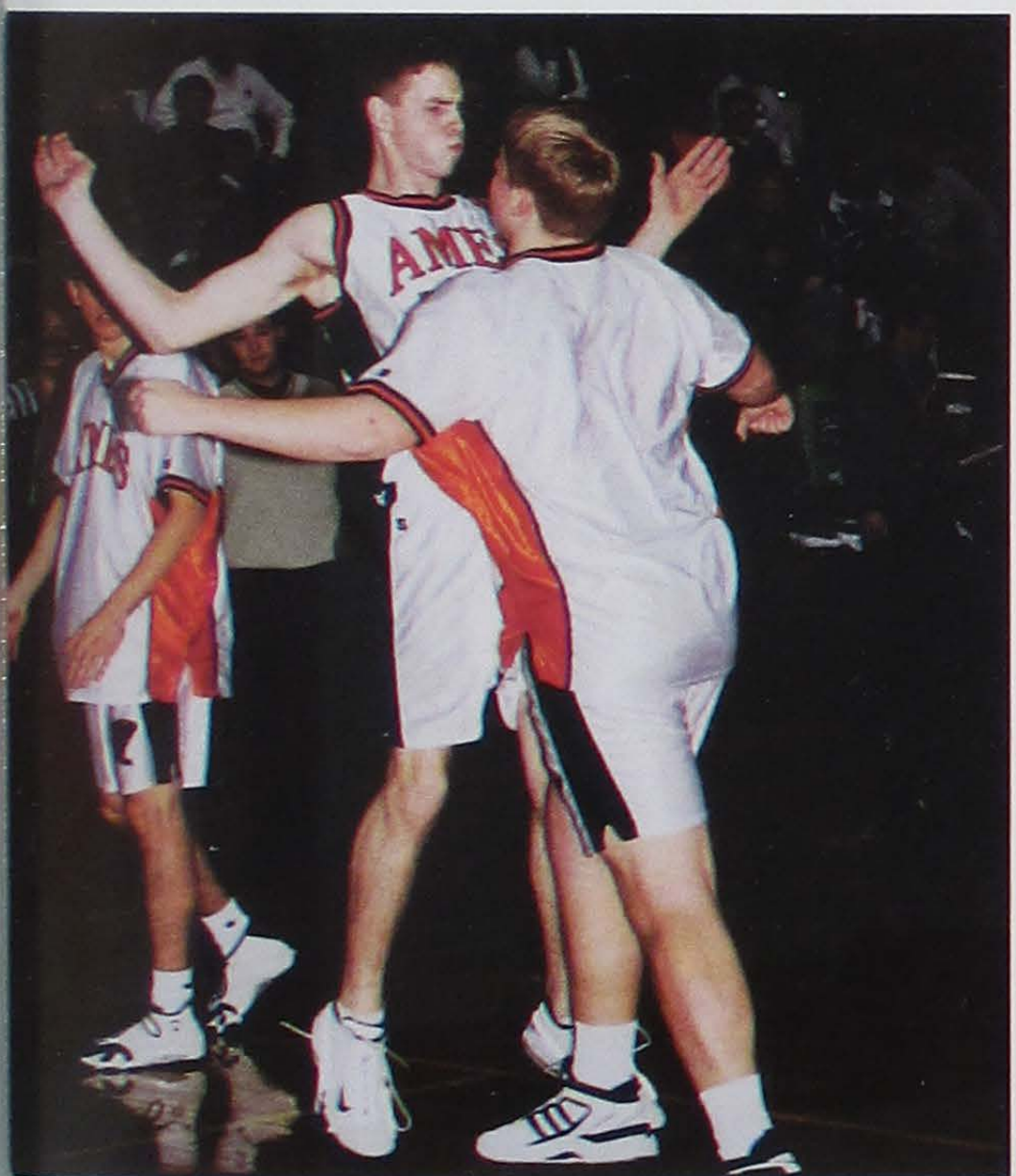
those little moments



Junior **Stephanie Brunia** jams in the art hallway for no particular reason. "Street" musicians were a welcomed change to the monotony of off-white hallways. (photo courtesy of A Platt)



Senior **Scott Sienknecht** wallows in the wonder of a bidet. While Sienknecht admired the little waterspout, his friends slowly backed away... (photo by Greg Payne)



• **WE'RE THE MEN:** Junior Tim Stoops and senior Chris Parrish bump uglies during a timeout at Friday's basketball game. Ames won the game by a final score of 69-39. Team camaraderie on the floor was common for the Cyclones, who enjoyed encouraging their cheering fans almost as much as winning. Conquering the Valley High School Tigers not only added a mark to Ames' side of the ongoing rivalry, but was also just one obstacle that the team needed to overcome. The game was one step on the journey to prove that they deserved the preseason ranking they received. (photo by Melisse Owen)

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JV B/BB Mason City @ Home
JV G/BB @ Mason City

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9th/10th/V B/BB @ Newton
9th/10th/V G/BB Newton @ Home

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Magic Show
B/SW Ft Dodge @ Home
WR Ft Dodge @ Home

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Magic Show
9th/10th/V B/BB Valley @ Home
9th/10th/V G/BB @ Valley

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Magic Show
WR Jack Mendenhall Invite

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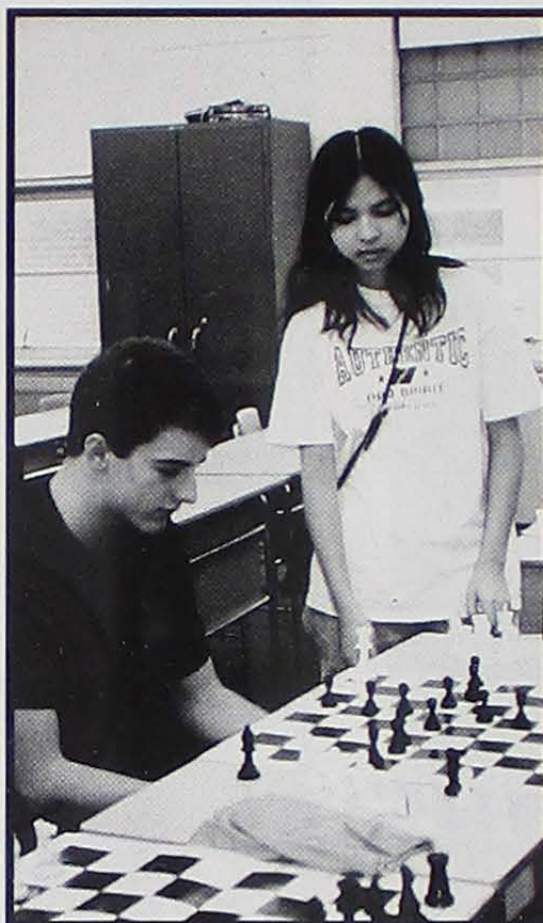
• **EXACT-A-MUNDO:** Senior Jeff Hageman learns about acids and bases during his titration lab in general chemistry. Precision was necessary for the excruciating lab and Hageman proved to be the man for the job with his careful attention to detail. (photo by Nick Meyer)



• **I'VE BEEN WORKIN' IN THE WOODS SHOP, ALL THE LIVE-LONG DAYS:** Senior Ben Sage uses a band saw while making a bowl in Woods II. (photo by Rita Carter)



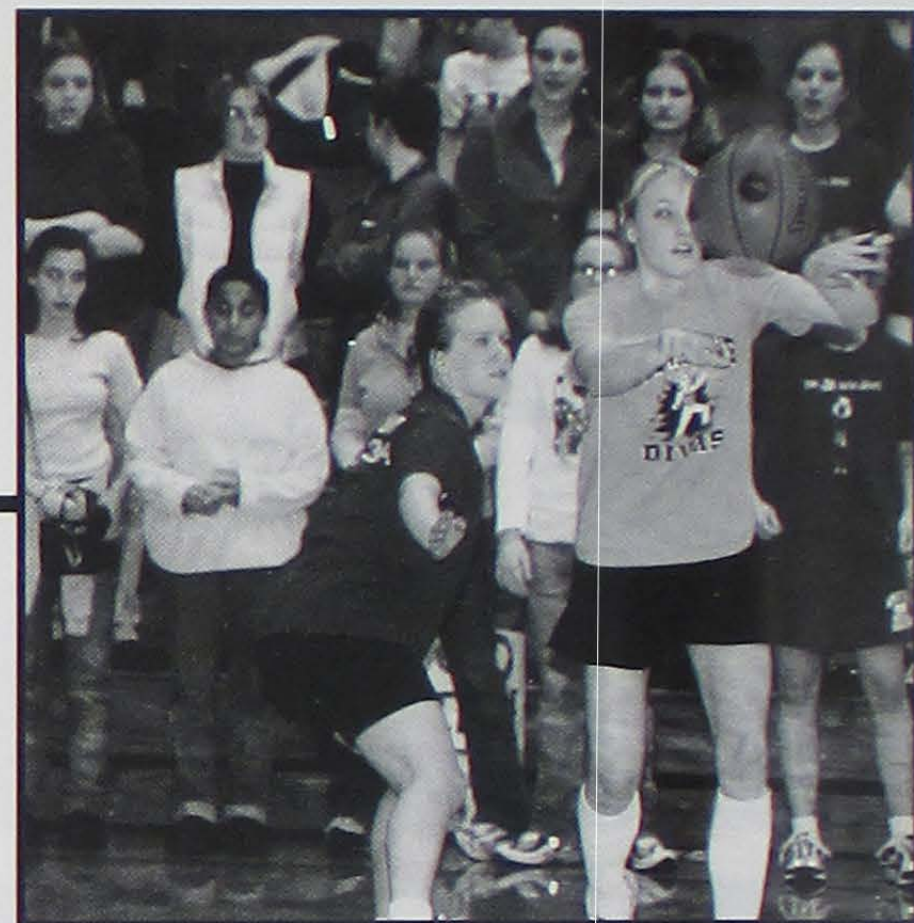
• **DODGEPUCK:** Senior Tyler Heithoff quickly takes the puck down the ice, dodging his watchful opponents as he glides to the goalie. Heithoff was a top penalty-holder and one of the top scorers on the Little Cyclone team. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **CHECK-MATE:** During a Chess Club practice, junior Geoff Thompson ponders his next move while junior Tuyen Phan looks on and offers suggestions. Chess Club members meet Wednesday mornings to work on their strategy. (photo by J. Prindle)

Making I-Ball History

The unbelievable turned all too true during the girls' intramural basketball championships this year: A sophomore team advanced to the final game. The sophomores, a. k. a. "The Destructive Divas," took on the powerful senior team, "The Availables," for an intense championship game. The game, which took place after the girls' Varsity game Friday night, was met with senior enthusiasm and pride. The stands were littered with purple and yellow-clad senior girls who made sure the sophomores knew who was boss. With signs like "We may be single, but we can still score" and "Purple Power!" the seniors dominated the sophomore team, winning 20-10. Thus, the world returned to order as "The Availables" crowned themselves destructive champions of I-Ball divas.



FRESHMAN

A Day in the Life of...

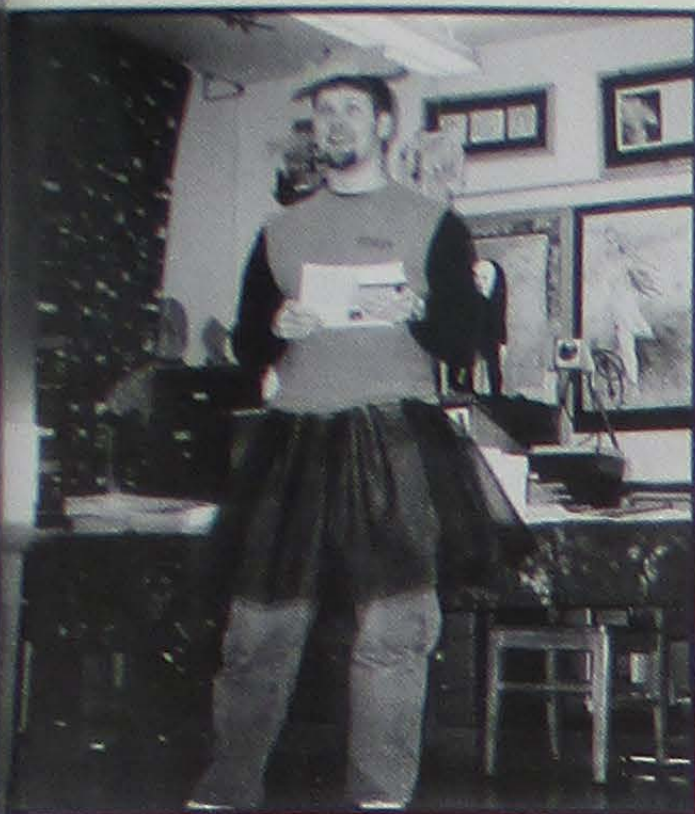
SENIOR



DEBRA BORCHERDING, age 15
 6:30: Wake-up
 7:45: Driven to school by dad
 Periods
 1. PE
 2. Chorus
 3. Earth Science
 4. German I
 5. Algebra I
 Lunch in the Cafeteria
 6. Geometry
 7. Assigned study hall
 8. Speech
 3:15-5:00: Basketball
 5:30: Dinner
 7:00-9:00: Sports Practice (volleyball, basketball, softball)
 10:00: Bed

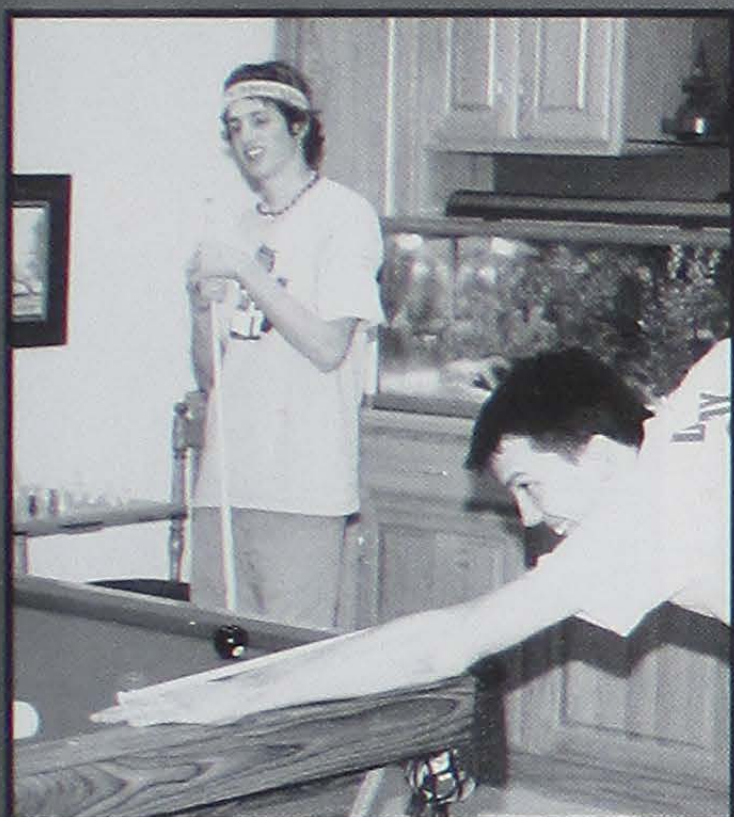
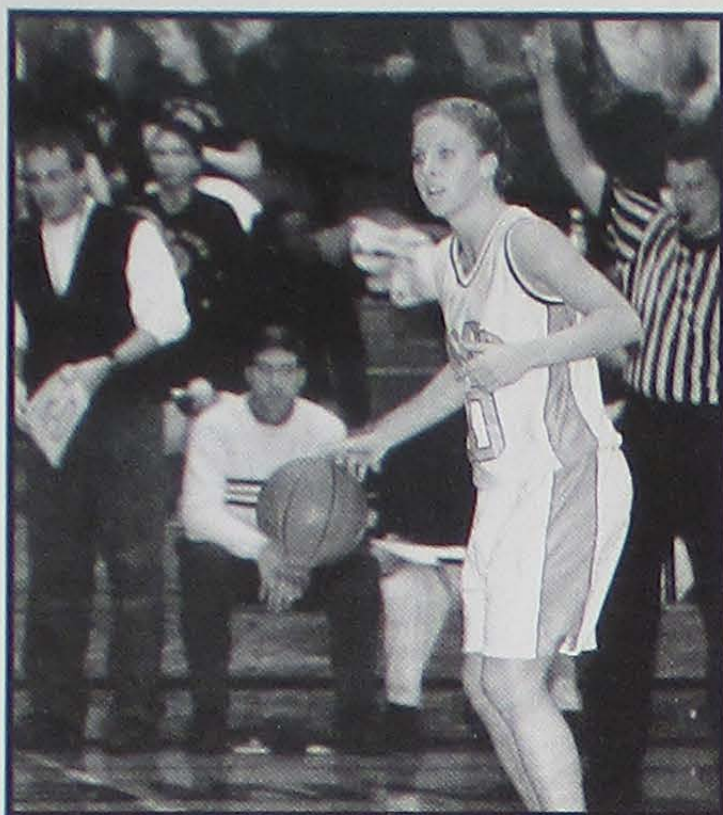
SHAWN BREKKE, age 17
 7:00: Wake-up
 7:45: Drive to school in his own car
 Periods
 1. Perspectives in Media
 2. Algebra 2
 3. DECA
 Lunch at Home
 6. Survey of Chemistry
 1:30: Home
 2:30: Long-awaited sleep
 3:30: Eat a snack
 4:00-8:30: Work at Drugtown as a cashier
 9:00: Dinner
 10:00: Watch TV and movies / Laze around
 12:00: Bed





ROSES ARE RED; BRIAN'S A FLOWER, TOO: Senior Brian Clark wears a tutu and a flower hat to add humor to his Honors English presentation. Clark described the importance of flowers in Shakespeare's *Hamlet* and pointed out their role in the play. Teacher Keith Carlson encouraged students to find creative outlets in their classwork. (photo by Rita Carter)

• PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT: Senior basketball player Kylan Loney pauses for a split second while dribbling the ball to scan the situation and collect her plan of action. Loney continually gave her heart and soul to basketball, which is her favorite sport. As a result, she executed tremendous moves at every game and helped the team succeed. (photo by Greg Payne)



• IT'S ALL ABOUT THE 8 BALL, BABY: Senior Jasper MacDonald lines up the cue ball, setting up his shot at the right corner pocket. MacDonald, along with senior Marcus Mitchell, took part in a pre-I-ball game ritual for the upcoming Intramural basketball tournament. Prior to every game, Team Humboldt County members gathered to go over strategies and mentally prepare while shooting pool at various players' homes for good luck. Future I-Ball teams take note: MacDonald's and Mitchell's team won the tournament and emerged as the I-Ball champions partly due to their successful tradition. Team Humboldt County won all but one game during the season. (photo by Greg Payne)

MUSIC TO MY EARS: Senior Kim, sophomore James Russell and senior Neha Kothari concentrate on their music while counting measures during the Winter Orchestra Concert. The program included a variety of music ranging from Bach to a piece titled "Rosin-Eating Zombies from Outer Space," a compilation of melodies from famous horror movies. After perfecting their repertoire, the orchestra provided elementary and middle school students with an opportunity to experience the high school orchestra's musical abilities. Aside from performing for other students, a few members of the orchestra were asked to perform at other Ames functions. Private parties and the Madrigal dinner were among such occasions at which members of the orchestra performed. These various opportunities provided students and the orchestra department a little extra cash. (photo by Nicholas Meyer)



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JV B/BB @ Ft Dodge
JV G/BB Ft Dodge @ Home
Winter Orchestra Concert

9th/10th/V B/BB @
Mason City
9th/10th/V G/BB Mason
City @ Home
B/SW @ Marshalltown

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WR @ Marshalltown

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9thA/10th/V B/BB @ Ft
Dodge
9thA/10th/V G/BB Ft
Dodge @ Home

B/SW @ Conf (Valley)
WR @ Conf (Ft Dodge)
Large Group State Speech

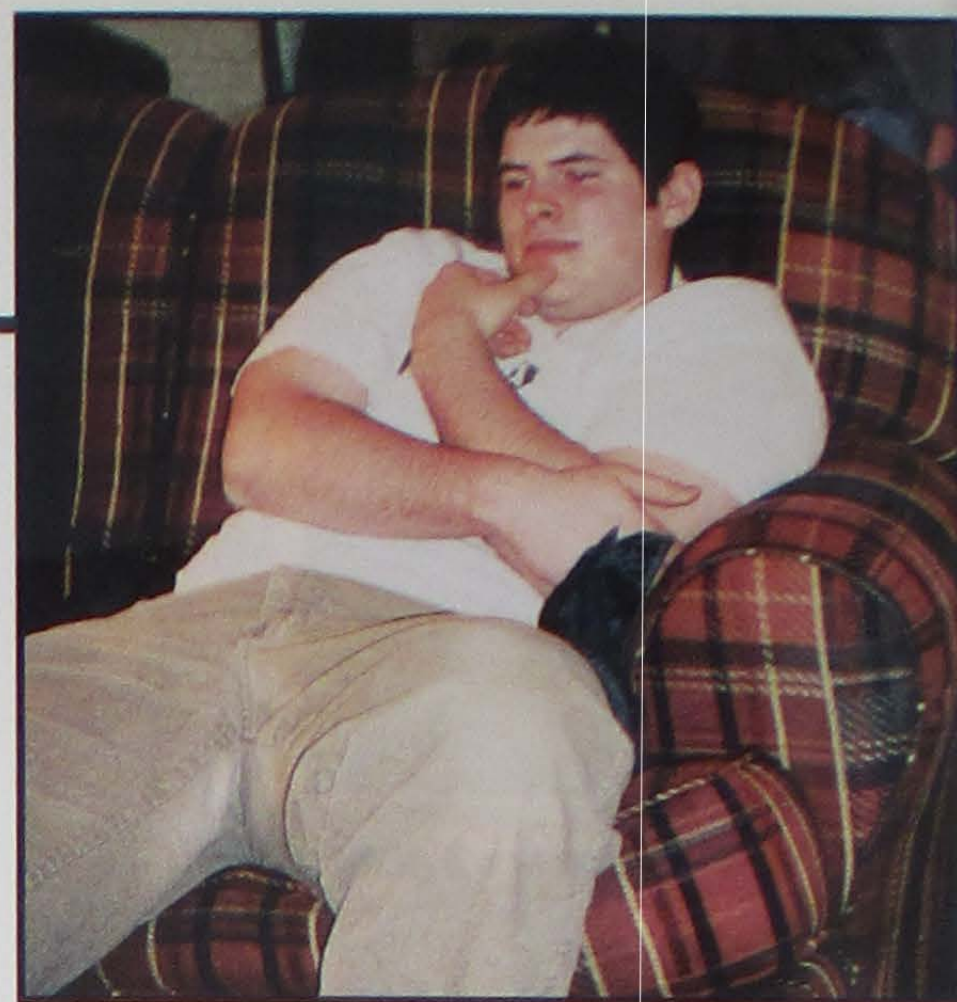
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• **HUGGABLE:** While at a friend's house, junior **Mindy Sargent** expresses her affection for her furry friend. "I love the weekends when I get to hang out with my friends because I can just relax and have a good time," she said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

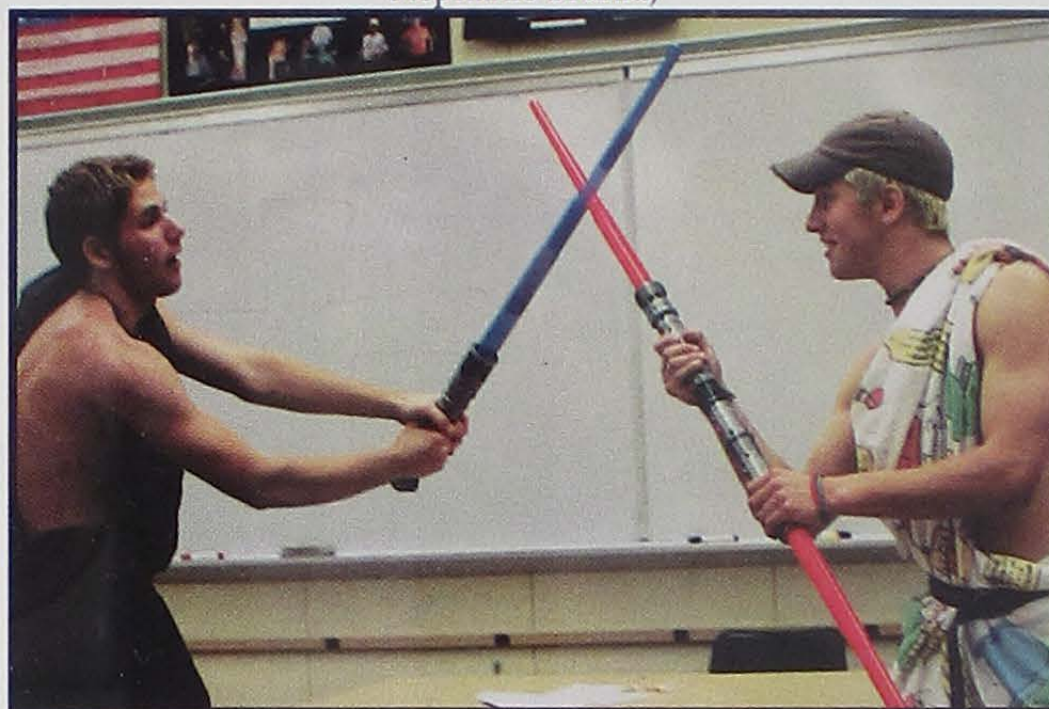
• **BIG COMFY COUCH:**

Junior **John Koehler** sits back and relaxes in an attempt to do absolutely nothing at one of the many coffee houses in Ames. Gregory's, along with other coffee shops such as Tarraccino's and Burgie's were popular high school hangouts. Although students often did nothing productive at these hangouts, some enjoyed deep conversations and pondered the meaning of life. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **UP, UP AND AWAY:** Crashing straight through the opposition, senior **Lori Bennett** jumps up to attempt a lay-up. Bennett, along with the rest of her teammates, blew through the Marshalltown Bobcats' defense to help earn the Little Cyclones' a final score of 56-34. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **USE THE FORCE:** Juniors **Lane Jahn** and **Nate Ward** duel while acting out a scene from *Spartacus*. The skit was for **Leigh Randall's** Western Civilization class in which students were given a subject matter to research. They were then required to present the subject to the class without revealing who they were. The class had a great time watching fellow classmates act out their character charade and then attempting to guess who they were playing. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **SHEET MUSIC:** While patiently waiting talk to the band directors during her lesson, junior **Kendall McCallum** highlights and makes special notes on her copy of music. The extra consultation from the directors proved to be beneficial for band members. (photo by Ann Mekemson)

Do You Have Saturday Night Fever?

You pronounce "Terpsichore"...

- A. Whatever!
- B. Terp-sigh-chore
- C. Terp-sih-kor-ee

What does "Terpsichore" mean?

- A. Trees and stuff ... ?
- B. Girls in tight clothes!
- C. Refers to Terpsichore, mythological patron of dance

Who choreographed the dance "The Slice"?

- A. Marilyn Monroe
- B. Mrs. Horner
- C. Meg Johnson

Which night did you attend Terpsichore?

- A. Thursday
- B. Friday
- C. Saturday



If you chose ... Mostly A's:

You've got something, but it ain't Disco Inferno. Maybe that's why no one will touch you.

Mostly B's:

Hopefully you had a great time on Friday night, but it wasn't at the cancelled Terpsichore show. Funny you don't remember ...

Mostly C's:

Grab a thermometer, baby, somebody's got the FEVER!! Ow! You're hot!!

Senior **Kara Johnson** dances her heart out in the only performance of Terpsichore. "The Slice" was choreographed by Meg Johnson.

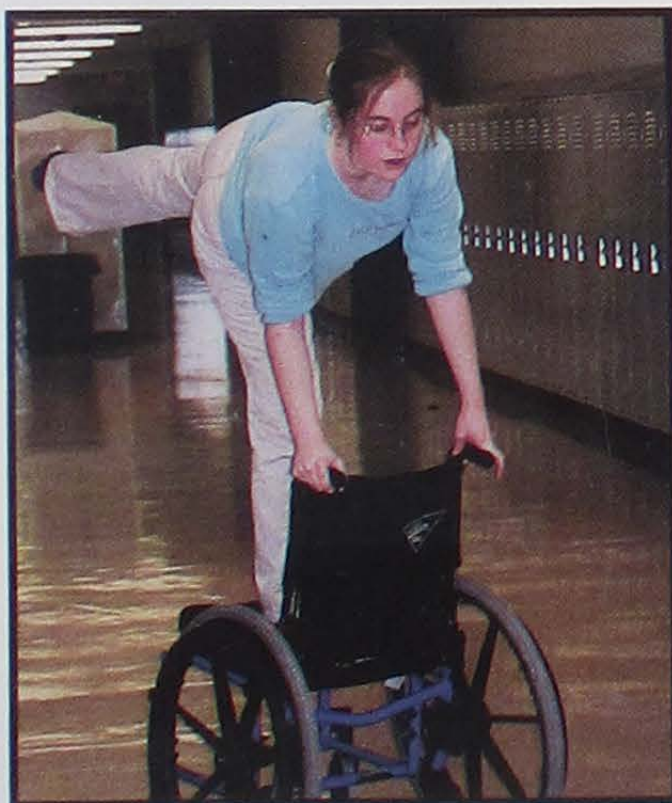
call me

Junior **Amy Logston** glances over the shoulder of her friend junior **Katie Schmaltz** as the girls check for any messages on Schmaltz's caller identification. Many students acquired cell phones regardless of the banning by the administration. The phones were viewed as drug paraphernalia. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **A SCENT OF SPLENDOR:** On several occasions during the year, carnations were sold as a successful fundraiser for multiple clubs, teams and organizations. This time, freshman **Jacklyn McEachran** mans the cash box in the back lobby for another fundraiser in honor of the upcoming Valentine's Day holiday. This fundraiser boasted signs of, "Buy a flower for your valentine for one dollar." The proceeds went to Freshmen Senate to help fund Spring Fling, the third annual Freshmen dance, held in April. Due to the success of their carnation-selling, Freshman Senate repeated the fundraiser three times throughout the year. With the money left over from the dance, Freshmen Senate was able to look forward to their sophomore year with a little extra cash. (photo by Julie Prindle)

• **ROLLIN' WITH THE HOMIES:** After a long, stressful day of school, junior **Sarah Hart** concentrates while practicing her Terpsichore dance upstairs in the Foreign Language hallway. The dance was choreographed with three wheelchairs to include one of Hart's good friends, senior **Angela Bennett**. "It was exciting trying to think of new ways to perform ballet moves in a wheelchair. It really taught me a lot about the restrictions of the handicap. We spent a lot of time choreographing the dance because whenever we got together all we did was goof off. It really stunk that we only got to perform the dance one time because of the show cancellation," said Hart. The dance, "Elevator Out of Service," was performed to the song *That's What Love is For* by Amy Grant and had a special guest appearance by senior **Jamie DenAdel**. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Dorian Orchestra Festival
@ Luther College
Terpsichore Tech Rehearsal

Dorian Orchestra Festival
@ Luther College
JV B/BB Marshalltown @ Home
JV G/BB @ Marshalltown
Terpsichore Tech Rehearsal

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Terpsichore Tech Rehearsal

WR Newton @ Home
Terpsichore Performance

9th/10th/V B/BB Newton @ Home
9th/10th/V G/BB @ Newton
Terpsichore Performance

B/SW @ Districts
State Piano Contest
Terpsichore Performance

February

the trivia of 1 love

By Ann Benson
and Stephanie
Brunia

What do white roses symbolize? What is the ratio of unmarried men to unmarried women? How do you say "I love you" in Czech? In honor of Valentine's Day, the answers to all your Valentine's questions are right here:

Roses can symbolize everything from war and peace to love and forgiveness. White roses represent true love. Red roses are for passion. Yellow roses stand for friendship.

Cupid is the Roman god of love and Valentine's Day. He was believed to be a mischievous, winged cherub whose arrows pierced the hearts of his victims and made them fall deeply in love. His mother was Venus.

There were 119 unmarried men ages 18 to 34 for every 100 unmarried women in 1997. However, the ratio reversed as people began to age.



Pennsylvania has more establishments making candy and chocolate than any other state. Pennsylvania also has four times as many chocolate factory employees than Wisconsin, the next leading state.

Columbia is the leading supplier of cut flowers. U.S. imports of cut flowers from Columbia totaled \$301.2 million in 1997.

"I love you" in Czech is "Miluji te." In Dutch, the phrase is "Ik hou van jou."

What do white roses symbolize? How do you say "I love you" in Dutch?



• **SALSA:** Juniors Courtney Parker, Meg Johnson and senior Kara Johnson perform expressively during the Fine Arts Week Assembly. The three girls represented the Terpsichore Dance Festival during the assembly. The annual assembly consistently featured one Terpsichore dance selected by Mary Kautzky, the Terpsichore supervisor. This dance, choreographed by Meg Johnson, was selected by Kautzky because of its originality and free form characteristic of modern dance. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **REBEL WITHOUT A CAUSE:** Senior Megan Berning is startled by the camera while she attempts to secretly finish her homework assigned for the next day. Berning, a flutist in the Symphonic Band, was waiting to perform her song repertoire with her fellow band members as the Concert Band played during the Winter Band Concert. Many students like Berning found creative and time-saving ways of finishing homework and took advantage of down-time during nightly events to finish homework. (photo by Greg Payne)

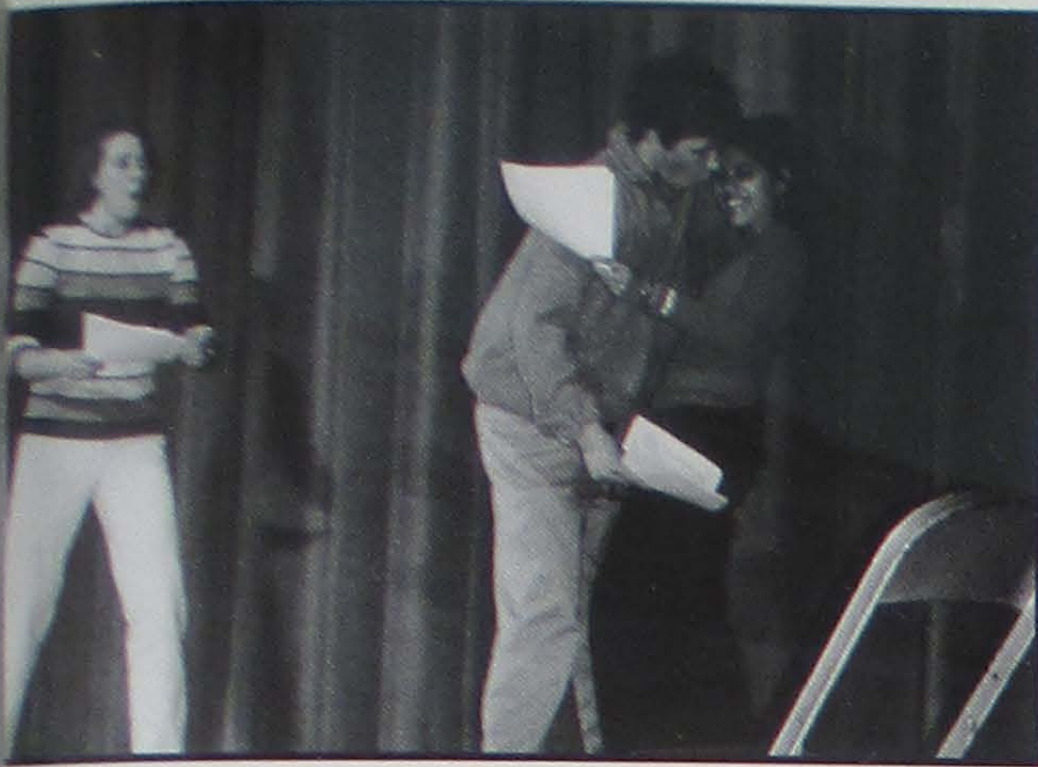


LONGwinded students

"Winning a medal at the All-State Speech Contest was great, but my favorite time with my mime group was scrubbing my face with a rock to get the disgusting make-up off."



-Jon Russell, Junior



• **M Y BOYFRIEND'S BACK AND YOU'RE GONNA BE IN TROUBLE:** Senior Elizabeth Talbert looks in horror as her "boyfriend" senior David Melby passionately kisses senior Mona Dalal. The skit performed by the Thespian trio advertised the upcoming play, "Thurber Carnival," and the annual film festival. (photo by Greg Payne)

more than meets the eye



Junior **Devin Walker** puts the finishing touches on his robot costume for the fashion show. Walker was the only male fashion designer. (photo by Brunia)



Juniors **Anat Shinar** and **Devin Walker** act as their favorite transformer figures during the Fine Arts Assembly. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **I HAVE A CRUSH ON YOU:** Junior Sarah Clayton laughs as she struggles to hold her many Crush cans she received in homeroom on Valentine's Day. Student Council sold Crush cans during Fine Arts Week, allowing students to deliver sweet, carbonated messages to their friends and sweethearts the morning of Valentine's Day. A record-breaking 5,000 Crush cans were sold this year, which created a mid-Iowa Crush can shortage and caused many surprised students to receive other brands of orange pop. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

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Fine Arts Week
JV B/BB @ Newton
JV G/BB Newton @ Home
Winter Choral Concert

Fine Arts Week
Midterms
9th/10th/V B/BB East @
Home
Winter Band Concert

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Fine Arts Week
Film Festival
9th/10th/V B/BB @
Dowling

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B/SW @ State (Iowa City)
WR @ Districts

February



• **HEH, HEH... GREG:** Junior Brandon Harris laughs at the photographer after his physical education class. Few students had Harris' positive attitude following the class. Harris made P.E. enjoyable for his peers with his sense of humor and competitive spirit. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **AWAITING FREEDOM:** Senior Chelsea Fitch drools over her Chemistry notebook during class. As senioritis began to kick in, many seniors failed to pay attention, do homework or even attend class. It was increasingly difficult to stay motivated with graduation only weeks away. (photo by Rita Carter)



• **KEEPING HIS COOL:** Sophomore hockey player Trevor Heithoff pulls sophomore Matt Duffy away from an opponent at the Junior Varsity hockey game. The occasional push and shove was common, as players took out their frustrations on the opposition. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **HANGIN' AROUND:** Senior Luke Stigler hangs off the rim after Monday's Junior Varsity basketball game. Many students took basketball games as opportunities to shoo away the serious side of school and get out and have some fun. (photo by Payne)

Wrestlemania

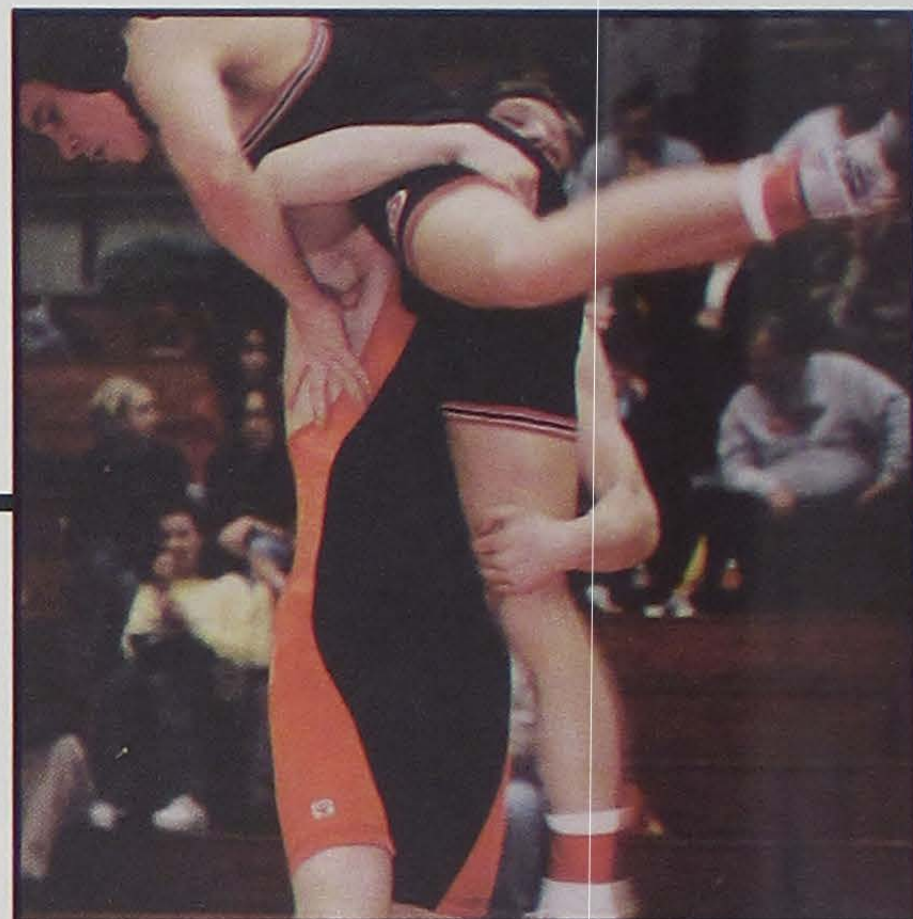
Who at Ames High would you most like to see go to the mats?

"Mr. Webb versus Mr. Johnson. Johnson could give Webb a lot of paper cuts, but Webb could smack the hell outta him ... Hardcover, oh yeah."
-anonymous SPIRIT staffers

"Me versus Greg Payne ... This is mud wrestling, right?"
-junior Dorota Pruski

"Wayne Hansen versus Marilyn Hansen, to see who is the REAL Hansen at Ames High."
-senior Keith Duffy

"Chris Parrish versus Ben Comstock. Ben would win; everyone knows the big guys fall harder."
-senior Anna Duple



1991

Then and Now

2001



- **Backwards Caps:** Influenced by those rad musicians with the jam pants, this was one fad to make even the good boys look bad.
- **Tight-Rolled Jeans:** Strolls in the corn field just weren't the same without the sand, and sitting down. Yikes!
- **Vanilla Ice, Ice Baby:** Tubular; break dancing was way hip - just bust a move.
- **Bart Simpson:** This child catastrophe made parents shudder and kids cheer. No one noticed the point was satire. D'oh!
- **Bangs:** A can of hair spray doesn't go as far as it used to. Crimpers were *da bomb*, and deep-fry salons were all the rage.

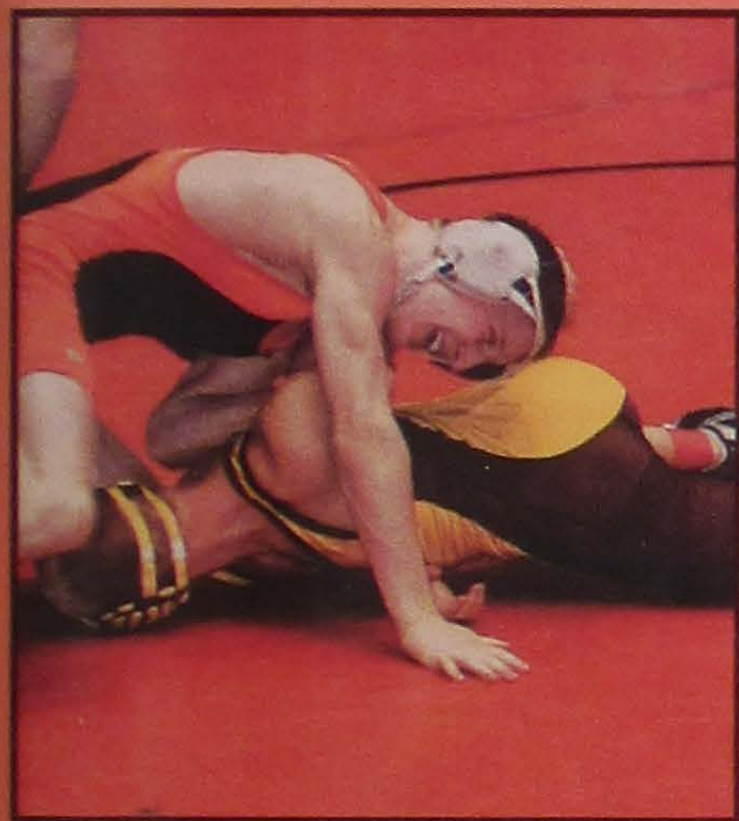
- **Upside-down backward visors:** Backstreet and *NSYNC would be proud that their fans didn't solely consist of middle schoolers.
- **Bootcut Jeans and Baggies:** We were *soo* not copying the bell bottom era. Groovy. And, by the way, running down the hall half-mast just wasn't attractive, guys.
- **Eminem:** Offensive lyrics and demoralizing kids was all the rage. 'Nuf said.
- **South Park:** *Web* was right, SPIRIT killed Kenny.
- **Sans Bangs:** Another sign of times past. Long, straight hair and highlights, and undertones makes one think we were awfully Clueless.





SHE'S GOT IT, YEAH, BABY, SHE'S GOT IT: Senior Anna Burgduff poses for a snapshot in her eighties ensemble. Several senior girls often got together to continue the childhood make-believe game of "dress-up," clothing themselves in outrageous get-ups like the one fashioned by Burgduff. The costumes were acquired from parent's closets, Goodwill, and dance recitals. (photo by Greg Payne)

• SIGNED, SENT, DELIVERED, I'M YOURS: Sophomores Leah Boyd, Jenna Blum and Lisa Simpson admire senior Micah Juelfs' picture. Although slightly embarrassed when caught in the act, the girls timidly allowed their picture to be taken. It was unknown to whom the photo belonged, but one thing is sure: underclassmen lovingly admired their senior counterparts. (photo by Allison Burke)



• HEY YOU, TAKE TWO: Senior wrestler Nels Matson attempts to pin an opponent to the mat at the state wrestling meet on Thursday. Matson lost his first round match to Blake Livingood of Decorah by a score of 3-1, but won his consolation match against Nate Hansen of Ankeny by a score of 5-1. Going to the state meet was a tremendous achievement for Matson. Only a few wrestlers from Ames competed in the meet. Due to the stiff competition, the level of athleticism the students faced required from them excruciating practices and workouts. Wrestlers were often seen running stairs with teammates on their backs, or jumping rope for endless amounts of time. For the state competitors, the seeds of their labor paid off. The honor of competing at state was worth all the hard work. (photo by Payne)

SLIP-SLIDING FUN: Juniors Katie Nelson, Stephanie Smelser, and Jessi Rutherford take a moment to play around in the snow after the state wrestling meet on Friday. The girls, attempting to sled down a hill in the Veterans' Auditorium parking lot, ran into difficulty which resulted in a tipped over toboggan and lots of laughs. A good time was had by all. Even though the winter was more bitter than those in recent years had been, many students couldn't remain inside, but took any possible opportunity to enjoy the outdoors. This included snowball fights, building snowmen, sledding, building forts, making snow angels (keeping clear of the yellow stuff of course), and taking walks in the winter wonderland. "In the wintertime, my friends and I have a blast. All we want to do is play in the snow; it's great!" said Nelson. (photo by Greg Payne)



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CIML Orchestra
G/BB @ Regional
Semifinals

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WR @ State

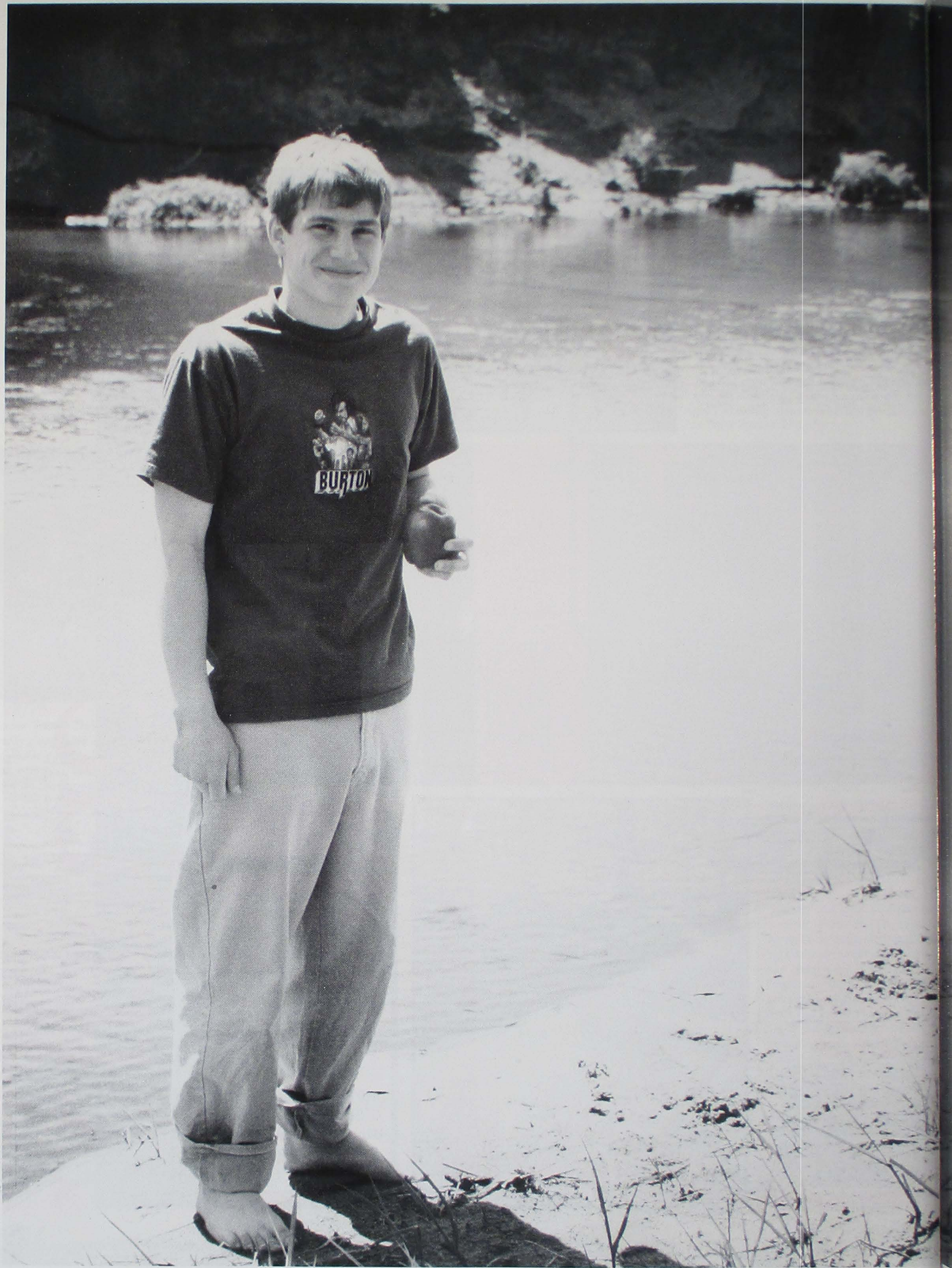
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ISU Weekend for Strings
G/BB @ Regional Finals
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Ankeny
WR @ State

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District Individual Speech
G/BB @ Regional Finals
ISU Weekend for Strings
WR @ State

February



The winds of change
The winds of change are blowing
I can feel its gentle breath
Changing my direction
Not leaving time for rest

It guides me ever onwards
For destinations unknown
Giving me strength when I stumble
As on my way I go

Friends are there to guide me
When darkness closes in
A guiding light still shining
It never shall grow dim

A rainbow in the sky heralds the sun
Rain clouds disappear;
My new life has begun
~ Anonymous



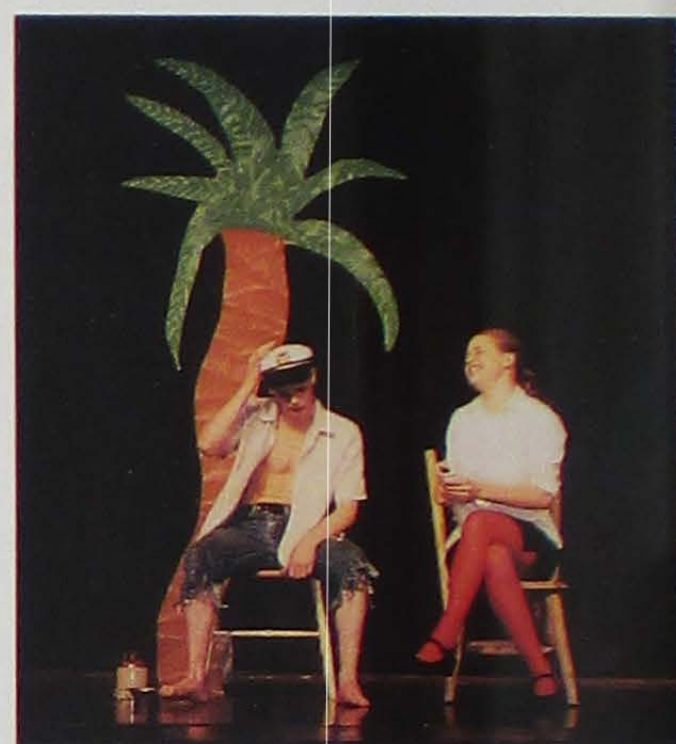
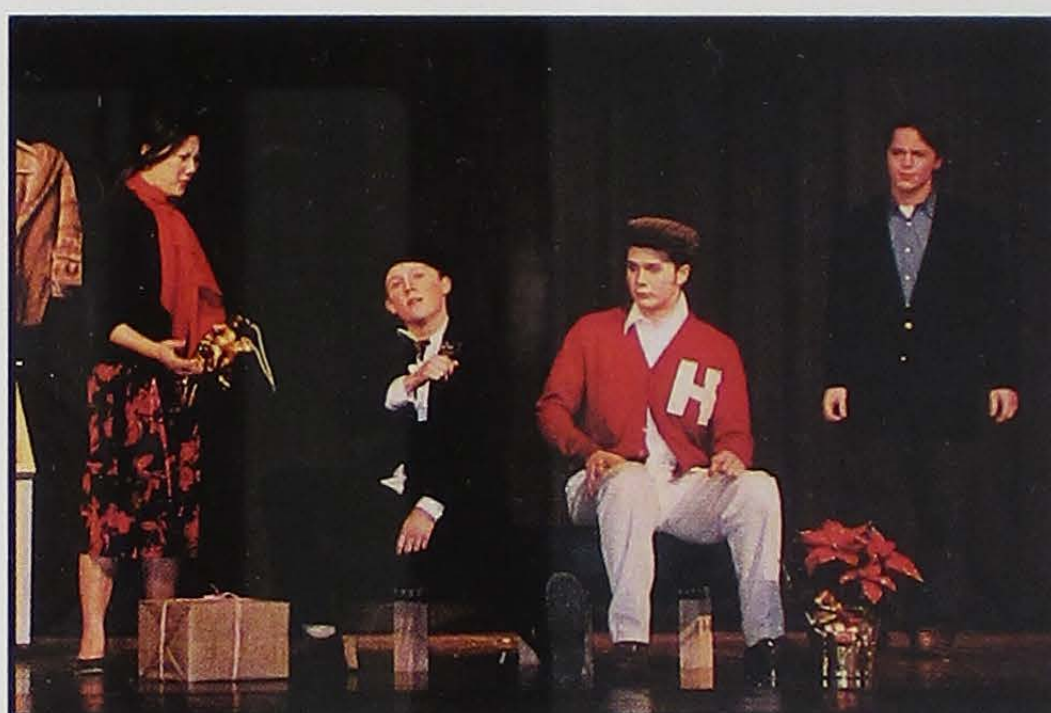
• **DUMBSTRUCK:** Seniors David Ling, Josh Wagner, Erik Johnson and Derek Watson sit in shock after the basketball game. A Cedar Falls player took a risky last minute shot and won the game as the buzzer sounded. (photo by Rita Carter)

• **SHOOT:** Coming out of the locker room, junior Tim Stoops finds comfort in seeing his parents after the final game of the season. The loss proved to be very emotional for the boys, who were defeated by Cedar Falls in the last seconds of the game. Due to an even match-up, the score remained close until the last eight seconds of play when a Cedar Falls player rebounded the ball and scored. (photo by Carter)



• **MY HUSBAND SEES UNICORNS:** Senior Megan Maher pleads with a police officer, played by sophomore Leslie Koppenhaver, and a psychiatrist, played by sophomore Lora Van Marel, to take away her crazy husband who claimed to have seen a unicorn. (photo by Rita Carter)

• **CHEERS:** While playing a drunken husband in the winter play *Thurber Carnival*, senior Steve Anderson raises his glass to make a toast while sophomores Shawna Simpson and Trevor Brown and junior Jon Russell look on. The ensemble was part of the skit *Gentlemen Shoppers*, in which Anderson and Brown were in search of golden handbags for their wives' Christmas presents. (photo by Rita Carter)



• **GILLIGAN'S ISLAND:** In *Casuals of the Key*, another *Thurber Carnival* skit, junior L Schweikert is stranded on a deserted island until a reporter, played by sophomore Madeleine Russell, shows up to write an article about the island. (photo by Rita Carter)

Career Fair 2001

Held in the gym, the Career Fair allowed students to visit booths set up by several Ames area businesses and learn about business opportunities.

At the Tribune stand, students could:

- A. Toss newspapers
- B. Write articles
- C. Make paper maché

Cosmetology means:

- A. The study of cosmetics
- B. The study of physical nature
- C. The study of space exploration

Students could visit the Career Fair:

- A. In gym two
- B. In the media center
- C. In the hallways

At the police stand, students could:

- A. Try on a bullet-proof vest
- B. Ride in a police car
- C. Fire a gun



If you chose...

Mostly A's: You are well on your way to venturing out into the real world. You are already a veteran of the working force.

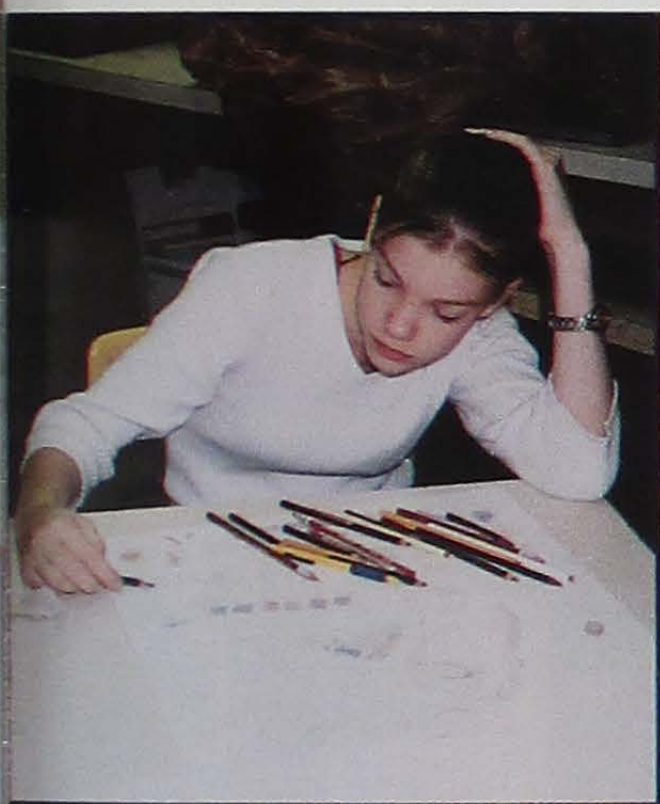
Mostly B's: You aren't quite ready for that part-time job at Mickey D's, but try baby-sitting or lawn mowing and you'll soon be bringing in paychecks.

Mostly C's: Our recommendation is that you stay out of the work force as long as possible.

Sophomores Charlie Weber and Danielle Cornwell spin the prize wheel at a booth.

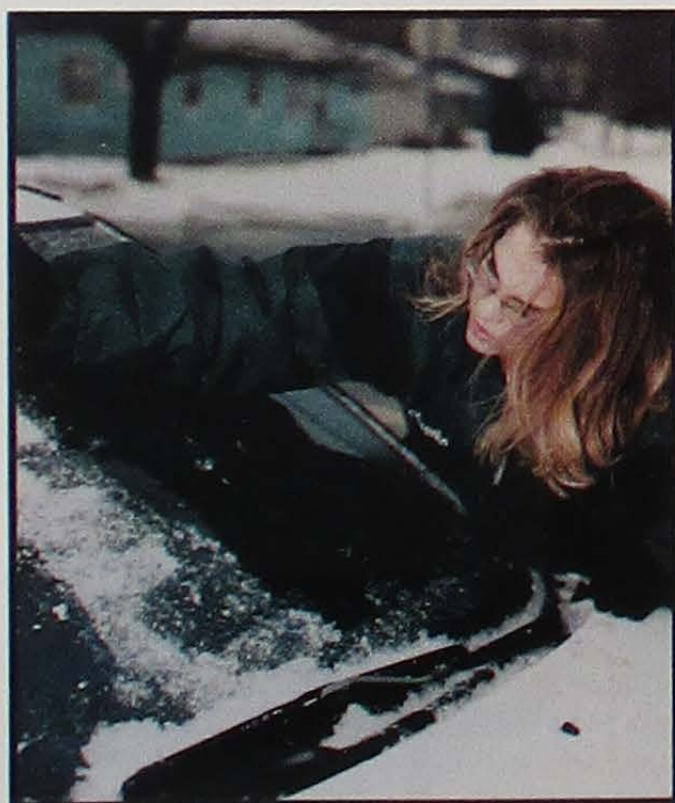
jazzarific

While at the Jazz Encounters performance, juniors **Ian Chidister** and **Andy Jordan** play their baritone saxophones. Members of the variety show performed in the bandroom for an audience that included parents, teachers and other fans of jazz music. (photo courtesy of Chris Ewan)



• **REFLECTION ON THE PAPER:** Sophomore **Lydia Colvin** tests the colors of her pencils while trying to find the perfect shade for her self portrait. The portrait was a project for **Susie Petra's** Drawing II class. Students in Petra's Drawing II class spent time in front of mirrors and were required to find ways to make their works creative and unique. Colvin's approach to this task was to make her self portrait drip like a candle with her facial features melting down like wax. "I got the idea of having my face melt a few weeks ago when I was experimenting with candles," Colvin said. Though Colvin enrolled in many other art classes such as photography, 3-D art, sculpture and ceramics, she found drawing to be her favorite art class. (photo by Rita Carter)

• **THE JOYS OF WINTER:** After a long day of classes, the last thing anyone wanted to do was spend time in the cold wind clearing ice and snow off his/her car. On a chilly February afternoon, students came out to their cars with the intention of leaving school with ease, only to find a winter storm had blown in and covered their vehicles with a frosty layer. Using her precise determination, sophomore **Tracy Sharp** gritted her teeth and scraped a thick shield of ice off her car window. "I hate winter driving. It takes forever to scrape off your windows and by the time your car has warmed up, you're already at your destination. I can't wait until summer when all this hassle is behind me," Sharp said. The winter months of 2000 and 2001 proved to be especially harsh because Ames received an early snowfall that remained frozen on the ground for the entire season. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



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B/BB @ Sub-State
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Career Fair
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B/BB @ Sub-State
Semifinals
Jazz Encounters
Winter Play
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B/BB @ Sub-State
Semifinals
2

Winter Play
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Feb.-Mar.

queens

by
Susie
Goldman

of the court

With only a few seconds left on the clock, the ball spun through the air toward the hoop, the crowd holding their breath in excited anticipation. As members of the audience - composed of family, friends and fans of the girls' varsity basketball team - watched intently, the ball swished through the net, causing a loud roar to erupt from the bleachers.

In the months leading up to the girls' state basketball tournament, members of the Little Cyclones' varsity team had a standing record of 18-2. After a record-making performance last year, when the team was the first to go the state tournament in twenty-two years, the girls had a lot to live up to. The competition and pressure uni-

fied the team, bringing them closer together as people as well as players. School spirit was brought to a new level as the girls fought their way, game by game, to the final tournament

of the season, and what would be the last game for many of the senior players.

In the first half of the game, against Des Moines Lincoln, the girls pulled ahead, only to lose their lead in the second half, costing them the game with score of 42-47.

"That first step when I walked in the door, my stomach was full of butterflies," senior **Lindsay Erickson** said. "I could smell

the concession stand food and that made me realize that I was there for the second and last time." Despite playing a great game and giving their best efforts the girls left Lincoln short six points of the win.

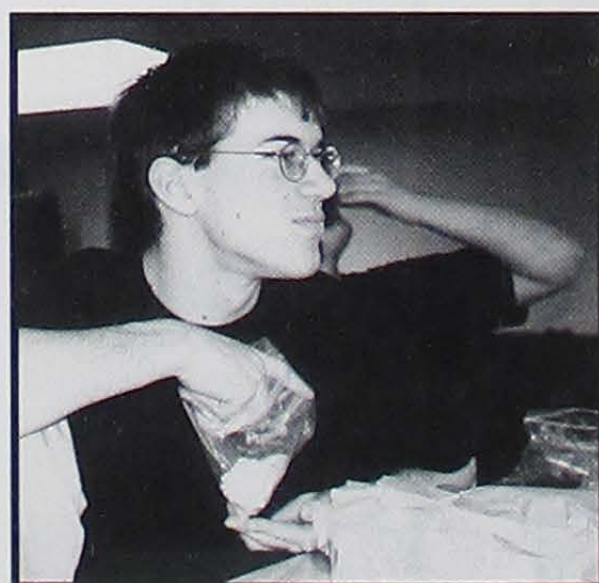


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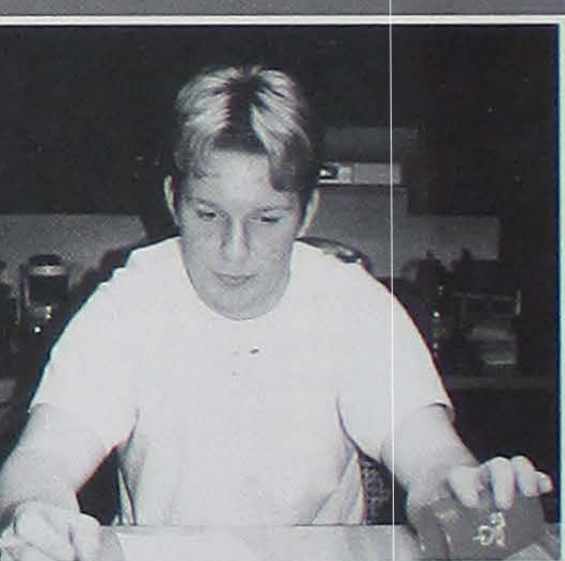
• **LIKE A CAT UP A TREE:** Enjoying one of the first warmer days of spring, junior **Ian Ritz** takes a break from studying to climb one of the trees in the courtyard. After a long, cold winter, students flocked to the courtyard during their free periods to be out in the fresh air. "Trees are an excellent source of fiber. I have to climb to the top to find the most supple branches that won't hurt my teeth," Ritz said. When warm weather combined with the students' good spirits, students found creative ways to entertain themselves. (photo by C. Clark)

• **SUNNY DAY, SWEEPIN' THE CLOUDS AWAY:** Junior **Michael Ciccotti** munches on his sack lunch dinner before performing with his church group's puppet team. "This is my fourth year as a member of the Praise Puppets. We travel around central Iowa and perform two to four times per month. Although our Saturday morning practices often interfere with school sports practices, I really enjoy it. There are only seven of us on the team this year so we're a pretty close group." Ciccotti said. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

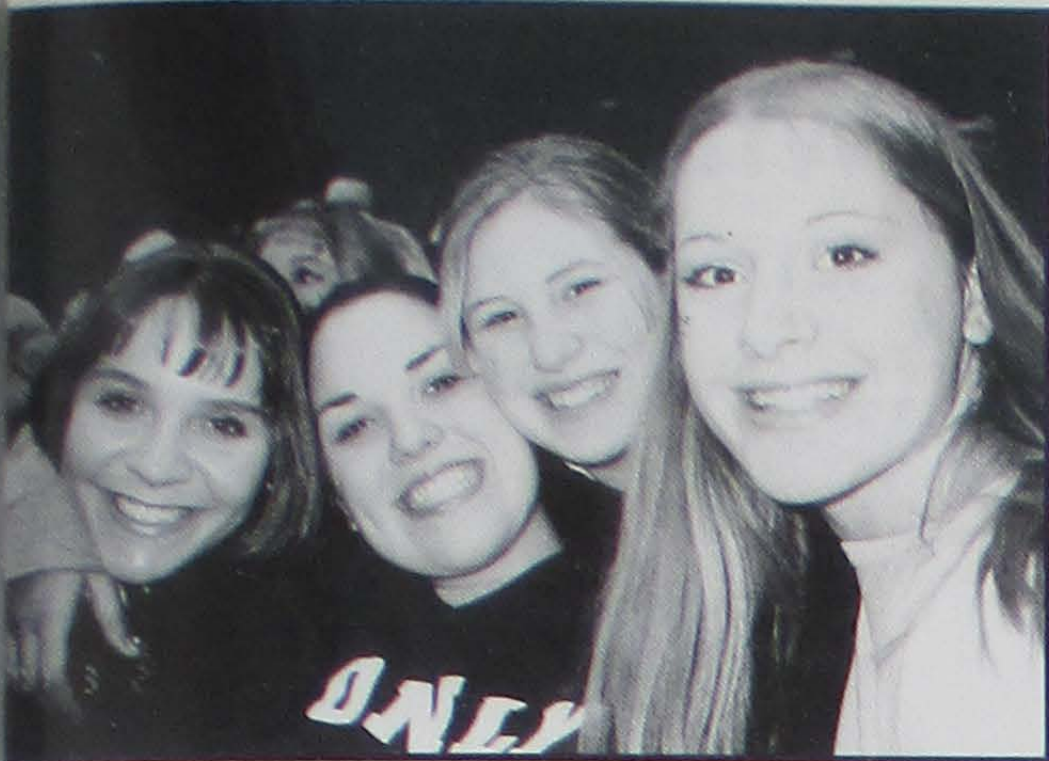


LONGwinded students

"I've been playing a lot of **YAHIZE** lately. My little brother plays it to work on memorizing addition and multiplication problems. I never get a yatzee, but I have perfected the art of losing."



-Erik Bright, sophomore



• **I'M A BARBIE GIRL, IN A BARBIE WORLD:** Seniors Stephanie Inglett, Rita Carter, Anna Duple and Kesha Johns smile for the camera at the Boys Basketball Sub-State Finals. Students were permitted to miss school in order to cheer on their fellow classmates in hopes of making it to the State game. (photo courtesy of Rita Carter)

girl power



Sophomores **Amelia Koford** and **Abby Cochren** enjoy ice cream cones on the first day of spring break weekend. (photo courtesy of Amelia Koford)



Sophomores **Allison Burke** and **Carolyn Wilson** compare their spring break plans after eighth period on Friday. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **ALL DRESSED UP WITH NO PLACE TO GO:** Sophomores **Cathy Compton** and **Madeleine Russell** take a breather after performing their short play at a Speech contest. Having parts in the play *Tartuffe*, the girls were required to wear old-fashioned dresses and style their hair in buns and curly cues. Lines were drawn on Russell's face with special make-up to make her appear to be an elderly woman. Putting in a great performance, the actors had a perfect score earning them invitations to the state meet. (photo courtesy of Cathy Compton)

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G/BB @ State

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B/BB @ Sub-State Finals
G/BB @ State
Speech Sampler

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G/BB @ State

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G/BB @ State
Solo/Duet Recital

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G/BB State

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B/TR @ Little Hawk Invite

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Master



• **ALL ABOARD:** Senior Jennifer Yates leans out of a train at the Bergbaumuseum Museum of coal mining during the German trip. The students were given an hour to explore the museum before taking a guided tour of the coal factory. (photo by Amy Mekemson)



• **ICECAPADES:** Juniors Ian Ritz and Micheal Dau take a brief break at the bottom of Mountain Hood during an afternoon of snow boarding. Dau and Ritz were in Washington on a visit to Dau's older sister. "The farther west you go from Iowa, the more interesting the scenery gets," Dau said. (photo courtesy of Ian Ritz)



• **A DEADLY HISTORY:** Seniors on the Spain trip visit Plaza Mayor in Madrid. The statue behind them holds an odd fame: At one time, several birds nested inside the mouth of the horse. Though the birds were able to find their way in the horse's mouth, they could not fly out and thus died. (photo courtesy of E. Gillot)



• **FERRIS WHEEL'S DAY OFF:** Seniors Emily Smith and Julie Prindle and junior Katie Brannan prepare to ride the huge ferris wheel at Navy Pier. The three were visiting the downtown pier while on a church trip to Chicago. (photo by C. Clark)

Where Did You Go?

"I went to Aruba. It's 15 miles north of Venezuela."
-Senior Brian Clark

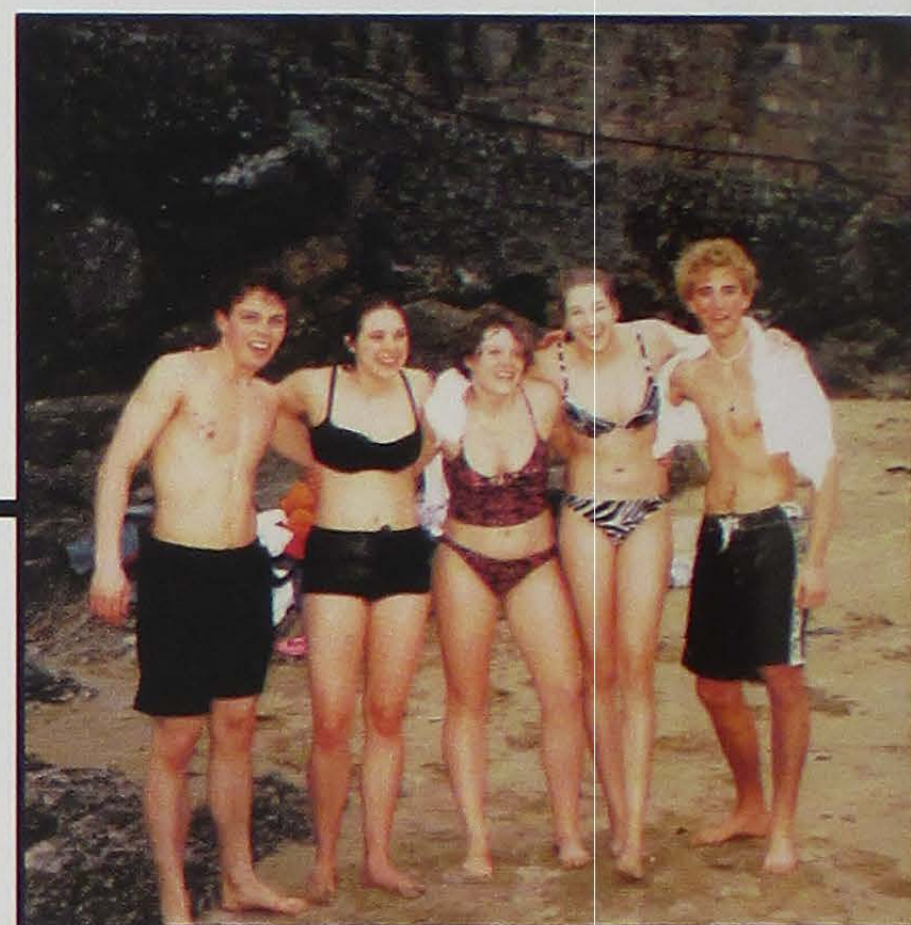
"I went to Chicago for a day and was sick for most of the week."
-Junior Caitlin Clark

"I went to Oklahoma with senior Sarah White. She tried to kill me by stopping on the interstate and trying to reverse the car."
-Senior Julie Song

"I went to Panama City, Florida and chilled on the beach."
-Freshman Trevor Burge

"I traveled to Ireland and visited Dublin, West Ireland, and South Ireland."
-Junior Kate Pickett

"Four crazy French students and I swam in the English Channel off the coast of St. Malo in 50 degree weather."
-Senior Amanda Burke



COLD

Spring Break

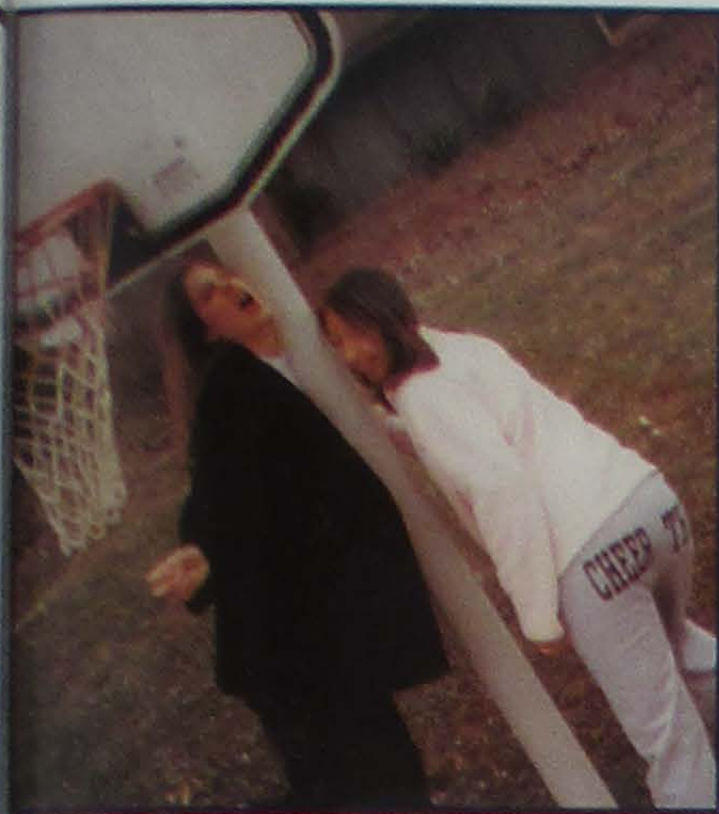
HOT

- Senior Emily Nau, sophomore Eric Nau, their family, and guests senior Heather Lowman and freshman Ryan Guffy skied in Colorado during Spring Break.
- They skied at Winter Park, Silver Creek, and Vale, where they met senior Alison Buck and her family. Besides skiing, they went for a sleigh ride, rock climbed, and shopped.
- "At Silver Creek the ski attendants kept hitting on Emily. They would say, 'What are you doing? You need to smile!' One amazing part of the vacation was watching Eric do a 360 turn while skiing," Lowman said.



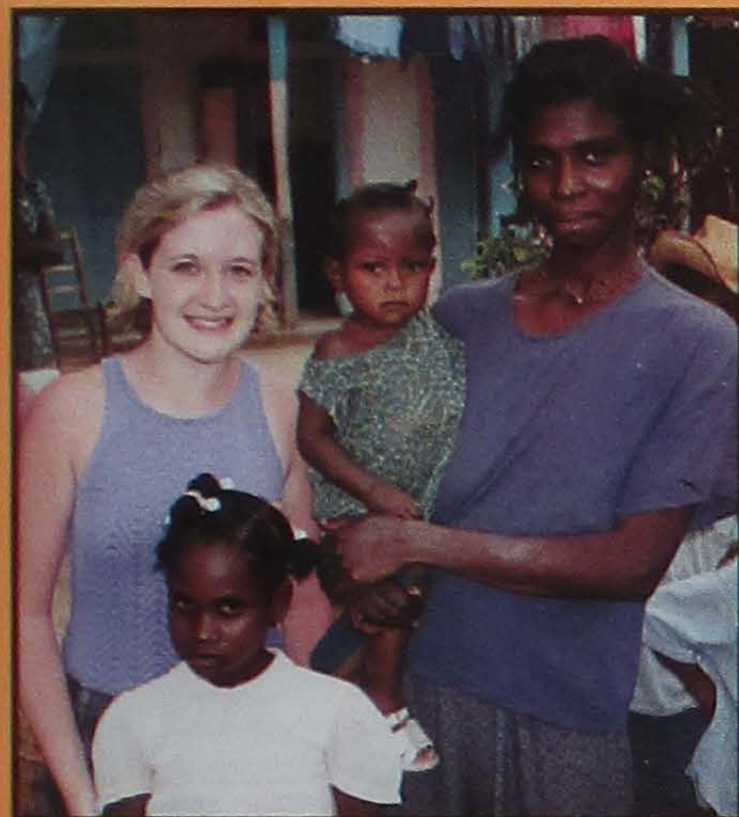
- Seniors Annie Legg and her parents, Kylan Loney and her parents, and Megan Morrow took a cruise on Carnival Cruise Line for Spring Break. The seniors traveled on a boat named Ecstasy.
- The three were able to go on the cruise, because Legg's uncle works for the Carnival Cruise Line.
- Their cruise ship took them from Miami to Key West to Cozumel.
- They snorkeled, shopped, and danced with hot guys everynight at the boat's club.
- "The good part about going on a hot vacation is that you can get a tan. That's the only reason it's better. You can look Mexican!" Legg said.





• **LOOK OUT FOR THAT POLE:** Seniors Sarah White and Julie Song pretend to run into a basketball hoop while vacationing in Oklahoma. The two were visiting White's grandmother for the week. "There's this damn pole in Oklahoma that we always seem to run into. We had fun, though. It was a good week. It's a good thing we survived that pole," White said. (photo courtesy of Julie Song)

• **TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTE STAR:** During her vacation to Palm Springs, California, freshman Leah Ruggle discovered her name in the stars, even if they were just cement blocks. "It was really cool! This guy's name was Charles Ruggle. I don't know who he is, but it's now my claim to fame. I'm related to a real-life Hollywood star!" Ruggle said. (photo courtesy of Rachelle Ruggle)



• **SPRING SERVICE:** Junior Mandi Crawford smiles with a Haitian family she worked with during Spring Break. "I went with family friends who adopted six Haitian children and were taking two back to Haiti to see their biological families. While I was there I helped in orphanages. This particular woman asked me to take her baby daughter back to the United States with me so she would have a better chance of surviving and could have a better life. She kept saying 'Just take my baby! She's really nice. Here, just hold her.' I asked the adult helpers if we could take her baby with us, but they said no. I would like to go back to Haiti and live there permanently to help in the orphanages," Crawford said. (photo courtesy of Mandi Crawford)

• **BATHING BEAUTIES:** Seniors Laura Obrycki and Caitlin Braun bask in the glorious Californian sun during their Spring Break vacation. Obrycki accompanied Braun and her parents to her grandparents' home in Palm Springs, California. Besides tanning in the sun, the girls celebrated Braun's grandparents' anniversary with a surprise party and explored Palm Springs. "We ate grapefruit off trees, drank fresh-squeezed orange juice, shopped, ran, ate lots of food at different restaurants, and, of course, bathed in the sun a lot," Braun said. Like many other students who travelled to tropical locations, the two girls came back with deep tans. "Lying in the sun is better than lying in the snow," Obrycki said, comparing balmy Palm Springs, California to frigid cold Ames, Iowa. "I love Palm Springs. I also love coming back to Iowa with a great tan," Obrycki said. (photo courtesy of Caitlin Braun)



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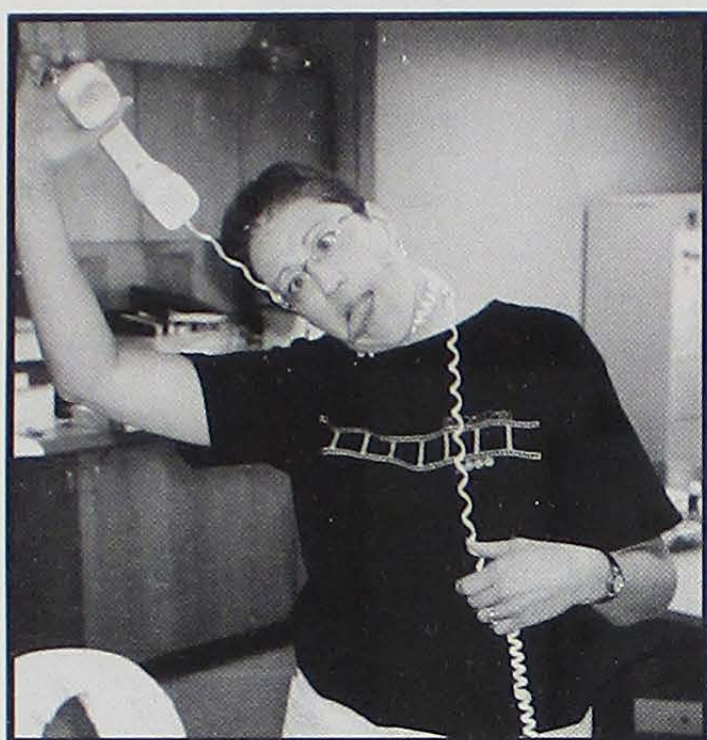
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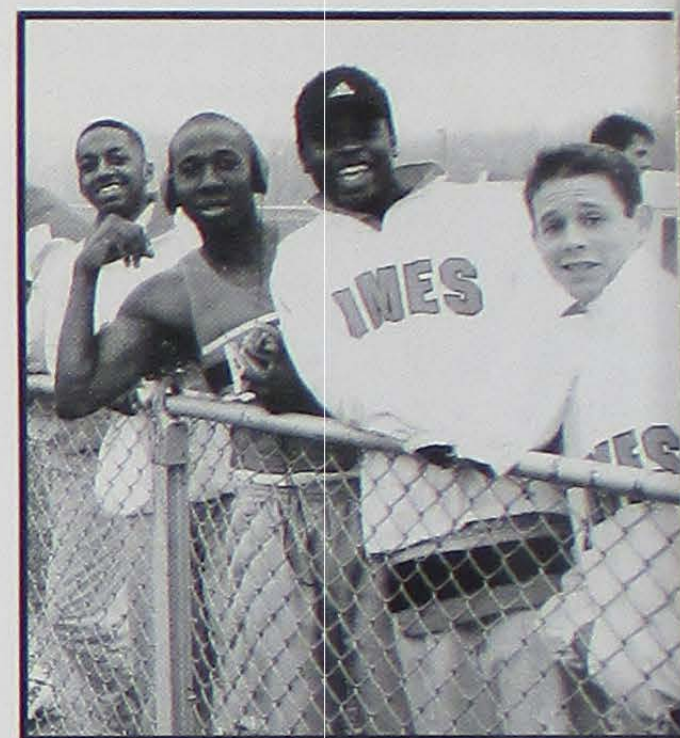
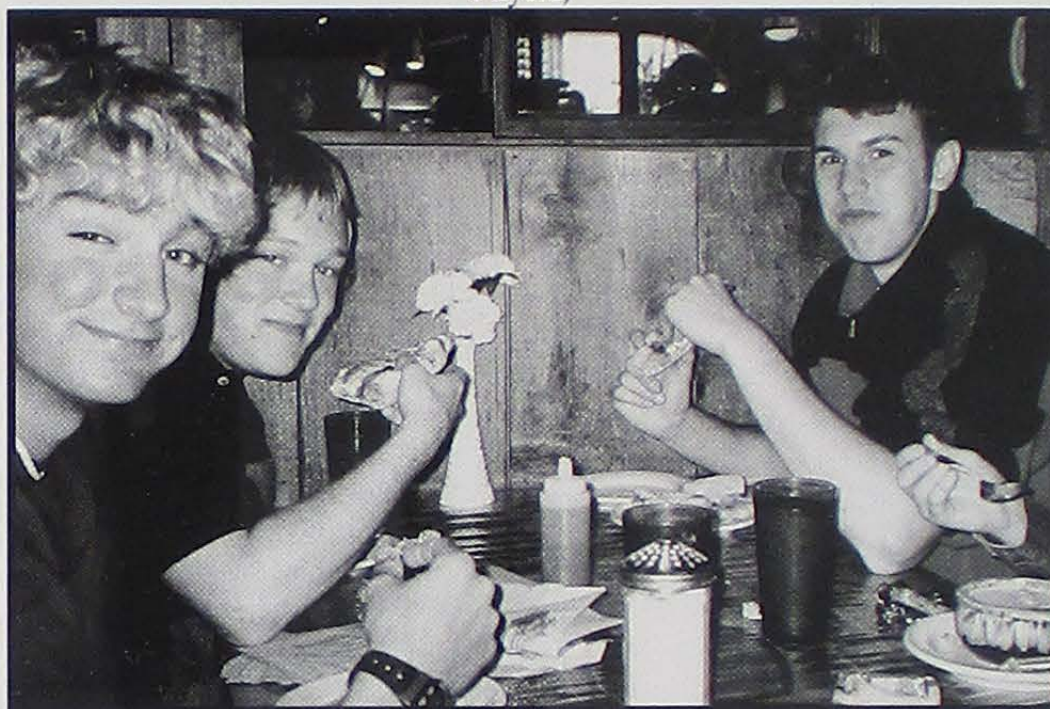
• **SHOW AND TELL:** Math teacher **Warren Lofgren** shows off his prized pug during his formal geometry class. Lofgren's pug was a big hit with his students, who were hopeful for additional visits. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

• **HAVING A BALL:** Earth Science teacher **Russ Pixler** struggles to keep the ball after a wild throw. He was playing basketball with a few teachers. "I like to play basketball. I practice by throwing rolled-up paper into my trash can," Pixler said. (photo courtesy of Brandon Crase)



• **YOU'VE GOT MY NUMBER:** Main office secretary **Cathy Swanson** shows her angst toward the phone. "It never stops ringing. I probably spend more time talking on the phone than I do talking with people around me at the school," Swanson said. (photo courtesy of the Main Office)

• **PIZZA PARTY:** Seniors **Peter Acker**, **Steven Anderson**, and **Andrew Houk** enjoy a delicious lunch at Great Plains during fifth period. "I love the pizza," Acker said. My favorite day to go is Wednesday because they have sausage pizza that day. But I love all their pizzas because of the crust and the amount of cheese they put on each slice. Plus you can't beat a slice of pizza and a pop for only \$2.15. Where else can you get a deal like that?" (photo by Greg Payne)



• **QUEUE UP:** Seniors **Brandon Heath**, **Abraham Tim**, **Kole Agbaji** and **Josh Wagner** wait for the races at the Dickinson Relays. "Everyone was really cold that day, except for Abe. He wanted to show off his muscles," Agbaji said. (photo by Greg Payne)

Do Your Figures Have an Edge?

Who are famous ice skaters?

- A. Michelle Kwan
- B. Shannon Miller
- C. Gilbert Grape

What are you performing if you do a 2/3 triple sow cow?

- A. A double sow cow, duh.
- B. A triple axel.
- C. Why are you milking a cow?!

What color are figure skaters' ice skates?

- A. White.
- B. Mother-of-pearl.
- C. Bright pink with red polka dots and purple lace.

What is a zamboni?

- A. The machine that smooths the ice.
- B. Italian noodles.
- C. A noise Batman makes?



If you chose ...

Mostly A's: Congratulations. You are an ice skating buff. You must be related to Tara Lipinski.

Mostly B's: Well, at least you seem to have a slight clue, but you should buff up on your skating facts before you hit the rink.

Mostly C's: Where did you come from, Saturn?! The obviously don't have ice skating in your 'hood.

Senior **Andrea Peterson** twirls during her routine at an ice skating competition. (photo courtesy of Andrea Peterson)

goose!

Biology teacher and track coach **Kirk Schmaltz** races around a circle of girls during a game of Duck, Duck, Goose. The game took place during a track practice. "It was really funny watching Mr. Schmaltz run around. Unfortunately I didn't catch him, but it made us all laugh," senior **Heather Lowman** said. (photo by S. Brunia)



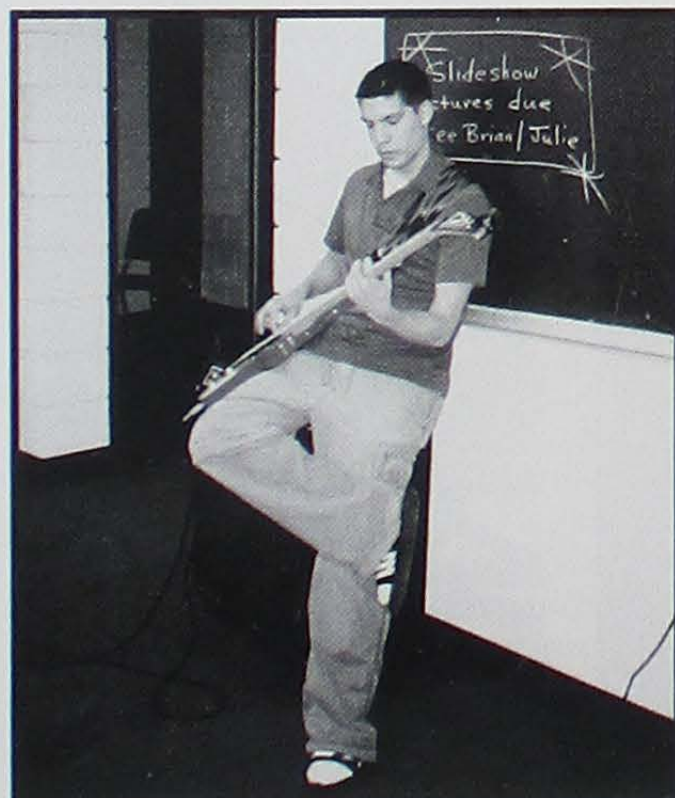
1st Practice: B/SC, B&G/
TN, G/GF

G/TR @ Dickinson Relays



• **STUDY STUD:** Junior **Seth Spath** lazily studies while twiddling his thumbs in **Ron Schuck's** survey of chemistry class. "We were making models of molecules for this project we had to do," he said. "I didn't really get it and it was kind of boring ... Chemistry isn't really my favorite class, but I like Ron." Spath, who moved to Ames in the middle of the year, arrived in the midst of the class's unit on Lewis structures. "Mr. Schuck was really nice about giving me extra time to catch up and finish stuff," he said. "I thought it was totally cool that we didn't have any tests, too. It made learning a lot easier when you didn't have to freak out about huge tests and stuff. We did have to write essays, though, but we could say whatever we wanted about what we'd learned. It was cool. I never thought chem could be fun." Other students, as well, responded enthusiastically to Schuck's methods. (photo by Rita Carter)

ACE OF BASS: Senior **Neal McAndrews** strikes a chord during a free period in the Orchestra room. "I was practicing with **Charlie Bucket**, the band I play with. I'm the bass player. All of the other people in the group are from another town, so it's a little different from the other bands at Ames High. **Paz and You Tell Jimmy** are really well-known at the high school and all the members are students here. **Charlie Bucket** is just me and a bunch of guys from Boone. That makes my band's music really varied because we all have different experiences with music around us in our own schools. Our diversity makes us a truly unique group with a totally new style. We don't get as many opportunities to play at schools or events with students because our members are from different places, but I still really like being with **Charlie Bucket**," McAndrews said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



B/TR @ Dickinson Relays

G/TR @ Luther Indoor

Master

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There have been many great geniuses throughout history. Brains such as Aristotle, Socrates, and Albert Einstein are, more often than not, at the top of the list. Yet two teachers at Ames High should not be forgotten.

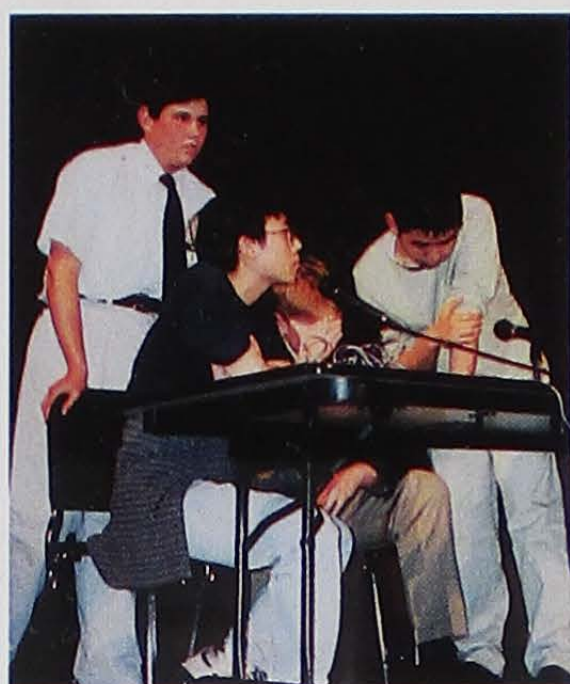
Physics teacher **Jeff Dilks** and A.P. Western Civilization teacher **Kirk Daddow** also reign high in the world of intellect. In an attempt to prove their intelligence, the two men co-hosted an event called *Win Dilks' and Daddow's Money*.

For a small fee of one dollar students were able to take a quiz to be one of the nine qualified to compete. In the program, students were pitted against each other in Jeopardy-like fashion in hopes of making it to the final

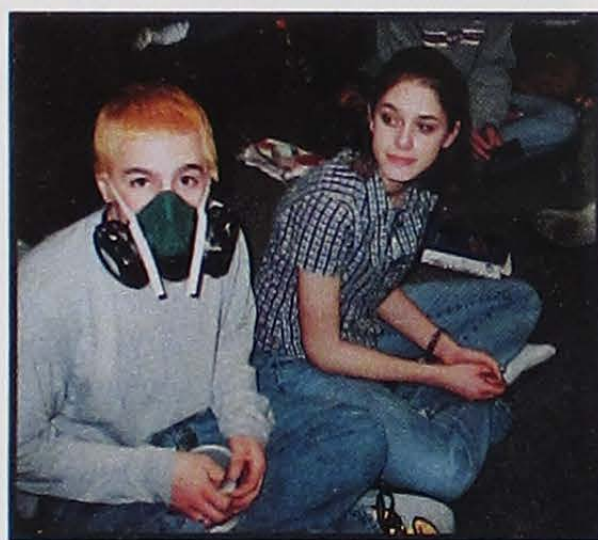
round. The four students with the highest scores moved on to compete against the combination of Dilks and Daddow.

Dilks and Daddow were escorted out of hearing range while the four students who moved on to the final round were given three minutes to answer twenty questions. The students, juniors **Dexter Chan** and **Evan Herrnstadt** and seniors **Kejing Wang** and **Chris Parrish**, answered five correctly. Then Dilks and Daddow were asked the same questions in the same amount of time. They were able to answer nine correctly.

The combined intellect of Dilks and Daddow proved to be a rewarding event by raising 300 dollars for Welfare Week.



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• **MAN, YOU STINK:** Senior **Ryan Cummings** and freshman **Sarah Bohn** prepare to give their skit at the "Ground Zero" retreat at Hidden Acres. Using unusual props like a gas mask, peanut butter and a license plate, Cummings and Bohn, along with other members of the youth group, wrote and acted in their own skits. The purpose of the skits was to intergrate their own creativity through the many props while linking them to a moral. This was an exciting way of teaching a lesson. (photo by Rita Carter)

• **GOING BANANAS:** Sophomore **Amy Noxon** stands back in utter shock as she swipes banana remains from her nose. A blindfolded Noxon hurried to eat her bananas faster than other contestants. Unknown to Noxon, her two opponents waited anxiously for her to finish the contest so that they could smash their bananas in her face. Although banana slimed, Noxon won the grand award of 10 dollars for finishing with the fastest time. "I got bananas shoved up my nose and I didn't suspect it at all! It stunk, but at least I could pay **Brandon Wall** for the gas money," Noxon said. (photo by R. Carter)



LONG
winded students

"With
five and
a half
hours of
work
and
twenty
stolen
carpet
tubes,



our boat was basically unsinkable. Unfortunately at the end of the Regatta a bunch of our opponets jumped aboard and sunk us. We all enjoyed ourselves."

-**Michael Miller**, Senior



• **I'M PUZZLED:** During his Spanish III class, junior **Hsin-Wei Chen** passes the time and works on a puzzle. Throughout the year, teacher **Barbara Peterson** provided students with many different puzzles to amuse them before and during class. "Even though it's not related to Spanish, it gives the kids something to do," Peterson said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

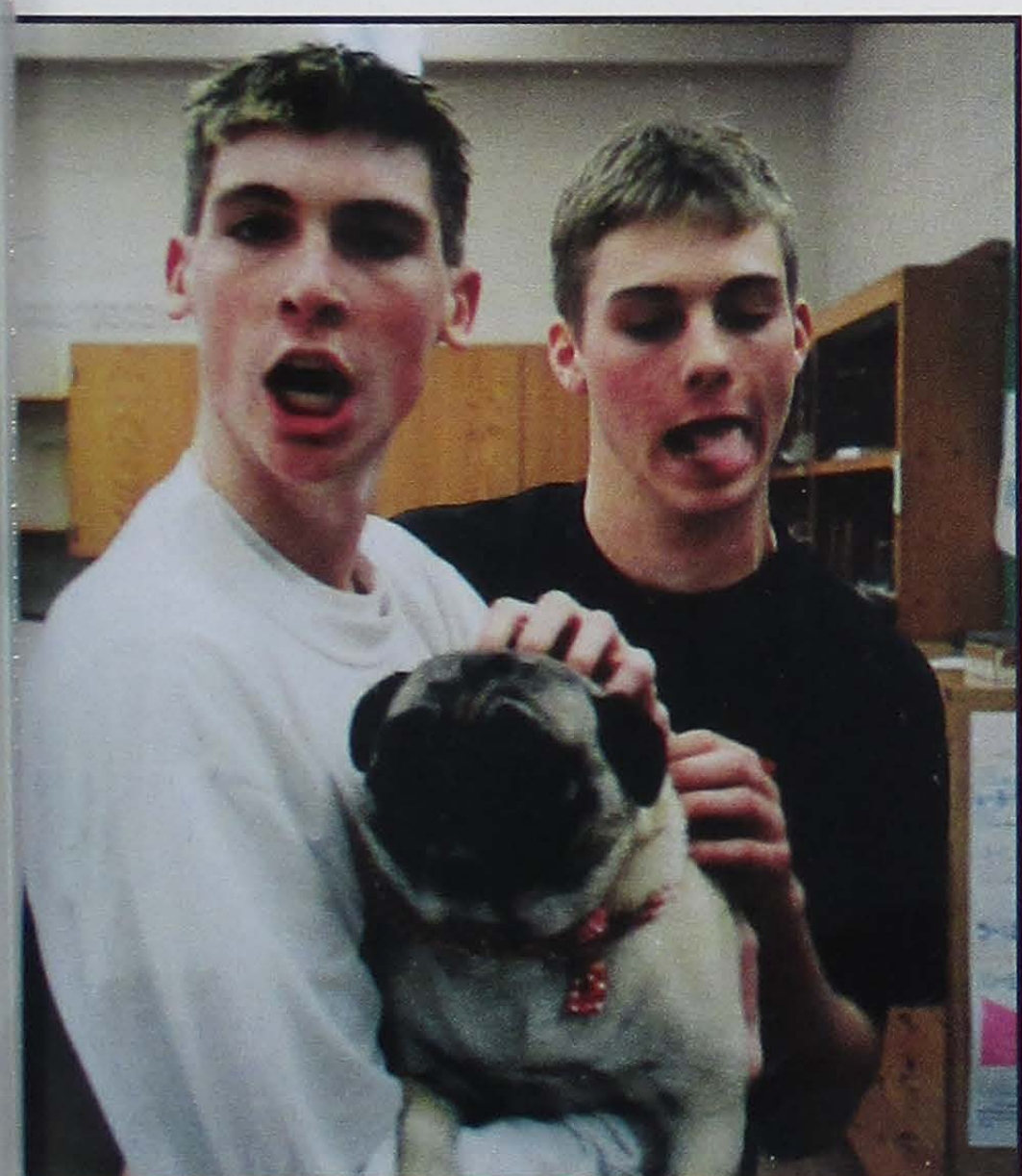
music of my heart



At the solo/small ensemble contest, junior **Ian Chidister** checks the performance rating he received on his saxophone solo. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



While waiting to perform for the judge, freshmen **Claire Miller** and **Emily Lowry** play a game of cards to pass the time. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **HOLY DOGS:** Juniors **Ryan Loes** and **Joe Ripkey** imitate math teacher **Warren Loftgren's** flat faced, furry friend. "There is a huge demand for the pugs. Since I am the only supplier for Ames High, I really had no choice but to bring the little guys to school," Loftgren, a pug enthusiast, said after bringing his dogs to his classroom for an afterschool show-and-tell for anyone dying for lack of puppy love. Many students showed up to meet and greet the famous, much talked about pugs. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

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End 3rd Nine Weeks
Spring Sports Kick-Off

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G/TR Waukee Invite

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Solo/Small Ensemble
Contest @ ISU

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March



• **GRIN AND BEAR IT:** Senior Scott Jenison takes a load off his feet after completing his project for the VICA vocational arts skills contest in Emmetsburg, Iowa. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **PRESENTING ...:** Juniors Brea Peterson and Melissa Mikesh practice their act for the Royal Heneford Circus in Adventureland. (photo by Julie Prindle)



• **JUST CHILLIN':** Enjoying the beginning of the spring sun before the sticky humidity of the summer strikes, social studies teacher Leigh Randall allows her classes to sit outside while they study for an upcoming test. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **BACK-TRACK:** Senior Peter Ringlee runs backwards during track practice to help strengthen his sense of direction. Coaches require the runners to perform various exercises to improve their running techniques. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

My best practical joke was when..

compiled by Susie Goldman and Caitlin Clark

"I replaced the shampoo with honey."
-junior **Will Shelley**

"I put a rubber snake in a female friend's bed so when she went to bed that night she would find it."
-junior **Mark Sorenson**

"Some friends and I replaced a pizza with a pile of poo and sent it to a teammate's hotel room during a JV State Hockey tournament."
-senior **SPIRIT Staffer**

"I put saran wrap under the toilet seat."
-sophomore **Stacey Strodtman**

"I took a photo of Miss Brooks sleeping during class and she didn't even notice. And then I put it in the yearbook."
-junior **Caitlin Clark**



CON

Practical Jokes

PRO

- Embarrassing someone in front of his or her family and friends can cause tension in your relationship.
- You run the risk of having the same done to you - but worse.
- Whatever it is, if it's really funny, it's probably also illegal.
- If your mom finds out, she'll never speak to you again.
- Although your other friends may find it funny, the fear of the same happening to them will drive them away from you - leaving you alone and unpopular, just like before.
- Sometimes it's just not worth it.
- There's always a possibility that things could go wrong ... and then you're a failure.

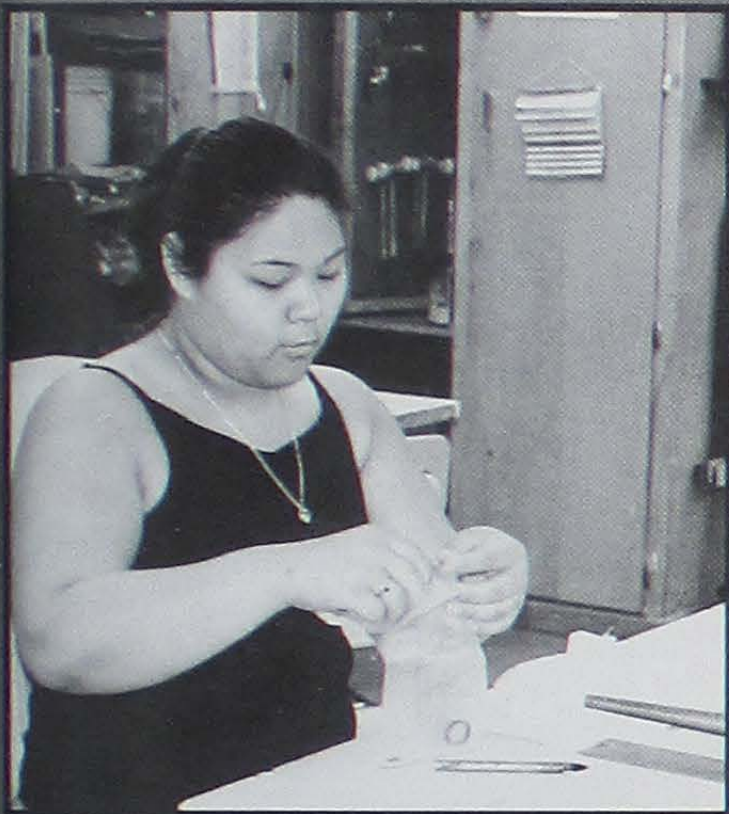
- If you're really going to embarrass someone, why not have the whole family there? Plus, they might pay you to do it again.
- There's also a chance of retribution ... oh, yeah!
- Whatever it is, if it's really funny, the cops will probably laugh, too.
- If your mom finds out, she'll never speak to you again.
- Though you may be unpopular and alone, people will respect you.
- Dude, it's ALWAYS worth it.
- If something does go wrong, make sure it happens to you. The mere fact that you fell for your own practical joke will add to the hilarity.





BLOW: Senior JP Crawford watches senior Eric Voss attempt to blow a glass bubble in Ron Schuck's Survey of Chemistry class. Voss was learning to blow glass for his independent project. A tube of glass with one end closed off was attached to a rubber tube that allowed him to control the glass without getting burned. (photo courtesy of Amber Segedi)

• **ROLLIN WITH THE HOMIES:** Senior Angie Bennett stays alert in preparation for the Girls track meet while her trainer junior Sarah Hart stretches. Bennett uses a special chair that makes it easy for her to wheel herself down the track during her one hundred meter dash race. Bennett competes in the wheel chair event which takes places after the runners are done with their races. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **EVERYBODY CLEAN UP:** A great way to relax during the school day is to take an art class. Junior Debbie Hardy cleans up near the end of the period after she finishes working on her Jewellery 1 project for the day. Along with having a good time, designing and creating bracelets, necklaces, and rings is a great way to relieve frustrations. Although class time can be entertaining, art teacher Susie Petra requires all students to clean up after themselves before they are allowed to leave the classroom. "Your mother is not here to clean up after you so why should I have to?" she said. Petra, along with all the other art teachers, refuses to clean up a mess left by the students, sometimes leaving used materials laying out overnight. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

TWO FOR ME, NONE FOR YOU: After baking a new batch of fresh Taraccino cookies, senior Peter Acker attempts to straighten the desserts in the front display case. Taraccino's was a popular place for high school students to hang out due to its convenient location next door to Bruegger's bagels. This, along with its inexpensive prices, plentiful seating and wide varieties of hot and cold beverages, led the Ames High Web to vote it the best coffee shop in Ames. Taraccino's, along with various other local coffee shops, proved to be a common place of employment for teenagers. The flexible hours, friendly work environment and competitive wages made for an ideal after-school job. Student workers also appreciated the fact that they were able to serve many of their own friends who frequented the shops. Many spent their time doing their time doing homework. (photo by Julie Lindle)



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9th/10th G/TR Ames Invite

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G/GF Ankeny @ Home

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B/SC East @ Home
G/TR @ Ram Relays (SE Polk)

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G/TN @ Carroll Kuemper

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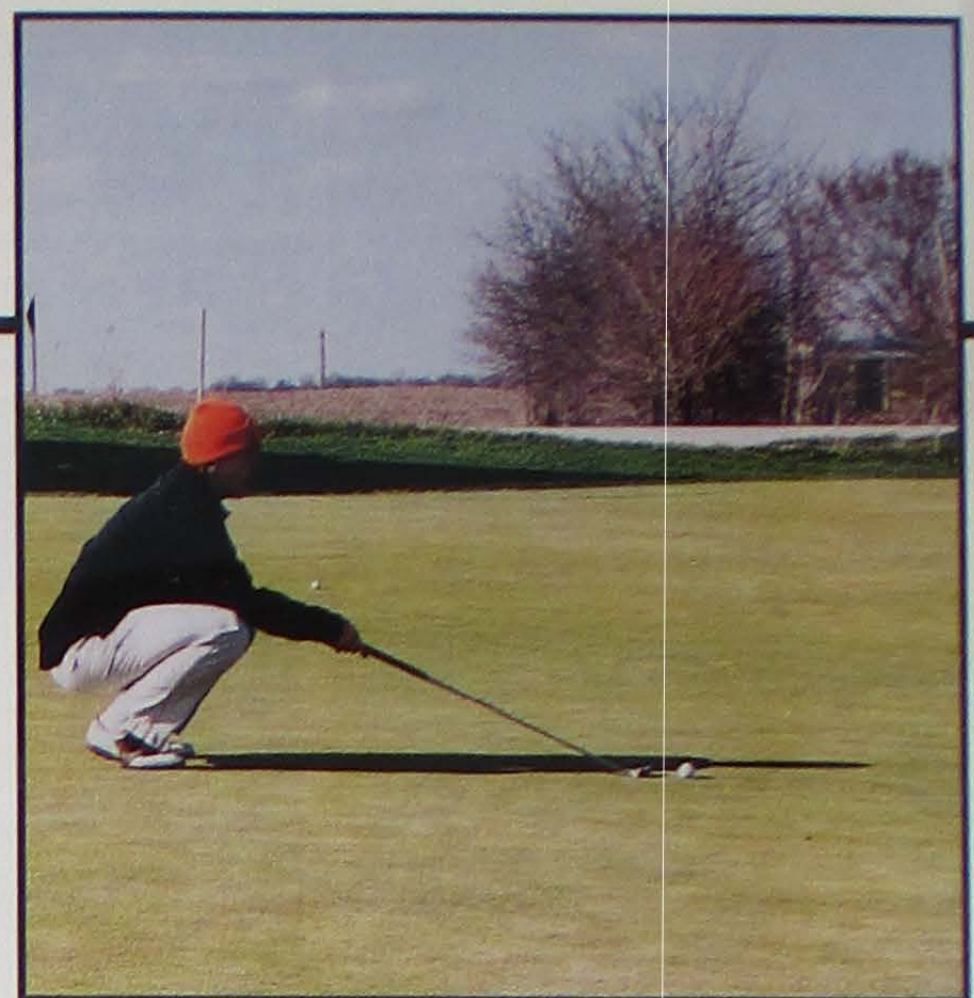
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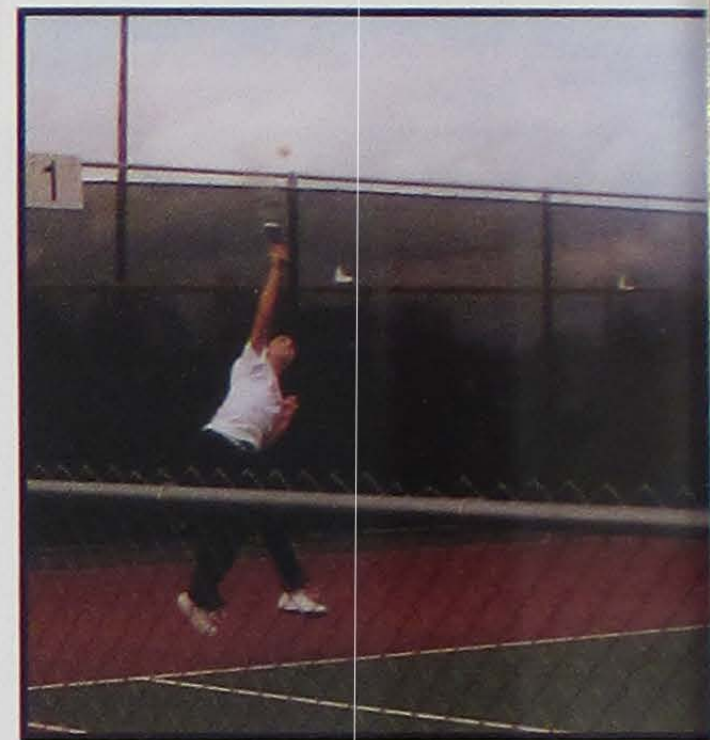
• **RUN AROUND:** Juniors **Jennifer Dobson** and **Laura Beeman** wrestle each other to the ground during a trip to St. Louis. "We were playing 'Wink Wars.' If I had not worn the skirt, I could have easily beaten Laura. It was because of the skirt," Dobson said. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

• **LIKE A HAWK:** Senior **Amanda Burke** scrutinizes her putt for par during the Valley Classic. "I was confident that I would make the putt because someone had just missed a putt in the same line as mine. I knew just where to roll it," Burke said. With great leadership from seniors like Burke, the girl's golf team lived up to the expectations of a great season. (photo courtesy of Sue Burke)



• **LIKE A GINGERBREAD MAN:** Senior **Elisa Arkovich** finishes jumping over a hurdle while running in the 100 hurdle race. "Track allows you to see your friends and exercise at the same time. I like the hurdles because it combines gymnastic ability with running," Arkovich said. (photo by Payne)

• **GOOD COOKING:** Seniors **Kara Johnson** and **Elizabeth Cavanaugh** bask in the glory of dozens of cupcakes. The bountiful cupcakes were made by Foods I students who were able to take them home to eat after the lab. "I love eating cupcakes. They remind me of the birthday parties I had when I was little. My favorite kinds are chocolate with chocolate frosting and white with white frosting and lots of sprinkles," Cavanaugh said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **SLAM:** Junior **Amanda Yeung** jumps and positions herself to better hit the ball to other side of the court. Yeung was the doubles partner of senior **Laura Carlyle** for the Varsity tennis team. The two girls played hard against an Ankeny doubles' team, finally coming out on top. (photo by Amy Mekemson)

Freaky Friday the 13th

What is your favorite scary movie?

- A. Psycho
- B. The Little Mermaid
- C. Scary Movie

Who are you most afraid of?

- A. Bev (BAM!)
- B. Ursula the sea witch
- C. Freddie Krueger

What are you most afraid of?

- A. Walking under a ladder
- B. Wearing purple underwear
- C. Michael Jackson

What place are you most afraid of?

- A. Transylvania
- B. Candyland
- C. The physics room



If you chose:
Mostly A's: Though you may have had a few close encounters, you have a tainted view of bad Friday the 13th situations.

Mostly B's: Can you even watch Bambi without closing your eyes? Wake up and smell the horror.

Mostly C's: You definitely have Friday the 13th experiences worth telling. Better luck in the future!

Junior **Stephanie Moore** fearfully glances at the ceiling. Throughout the day **SPIRIT** staffer **Caitlin Clark** climbed around in the ceilings simply to scare fellow students. (photo by Owen)

kick it

Junior **Tamim Mahayni** tries to steal the ball away from an Indianola player during the soccer game. "It was a good match. Luckily, we won 2 to 1," Mahayni said. The Little Cyclones started their season off well, striving to return to the state tournament. (photo courtesy of Abby VanMaaren)



• **DOUGH BOY:** Senior **Greg Payne** tries to hide his precious box of doughnuts from the other yearbook members while eating as many as possible. Payne was a huge fan of eating doughnuts while working on the yearbook. "It was just another day in the yearbook room, and I was hard at work as usual. Sometimes creating the yearbook can be kind of stressful; for me, nothing can stimulate the brain quite like a sweet, delicious powdered sugar pastry carefully created by the bakers at Hy-Vee. Aside from the consumption of various baked goods during yearbook, I can enthusiastically say that my senior year with the book has been one of my best experiences at Ames High. High school is too short to let opportunities like these pass you by; be active!" Payne said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

ELECTRIFYING: Junior **Courtney Jones** stands in front of her physics class to demonstrate the magic of electricity. Jones volunteered to place her hand on the electrostatic generator. The electricity flowing from the electrostatic generator and through her body caused her hair to stand on end. The experiment was one of many demonstrations used to illustrate the effects of electrostatic induction. According to Cutnell and Johnson Physics, "The electric field and the surface through which it passes are brought together to define electric flux." The electrostatic generator was a prime example of electric flux because the electric field produced by the symmetric distribution of charges along the metal surface of the globe causes the hair to rise. Jones was a student in Mr. **Michael Petersen's** physics class; both **Jeff Wilks's** and **Michael Lazere's** classes participated in similar labs. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



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B/SC @ Ankeny
9th/10th B/TR @ Valley

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B/TR @ Ray Bymes Invite
(Valley)
G/GF @ East
G/TR Little Cyclone Invite

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B/SC Indianola @ Home
B/TN @ Ankeny
G/TN Ankeny @ Home

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G/GF @ Valley Classic
G/TR @ Indianola

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B/TN @ Bobcat Doubles
(Marshalltown)
B/TR Hi Covey Relays
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crucible

By
Jen Alexander
and Ann Benson

Of a lifetime

A very different kind of play graced the Ames High auditorium stage Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Instead of the light-hearted comedic plays Ames High usually picks, the drama department selected Arthur Miller's *The Crucible* for the Spring play.

"It was a more difficult play to perform than the other ones I have acted in for several reasons. First of all, this play was well-known by students because it is studied in English classes; students had expectations for the play before it started. Second, it was a drama instead of a comedy. It is much easier to make a fool of myself than come off being sincere. Last, this was the final play for the seniors. Some

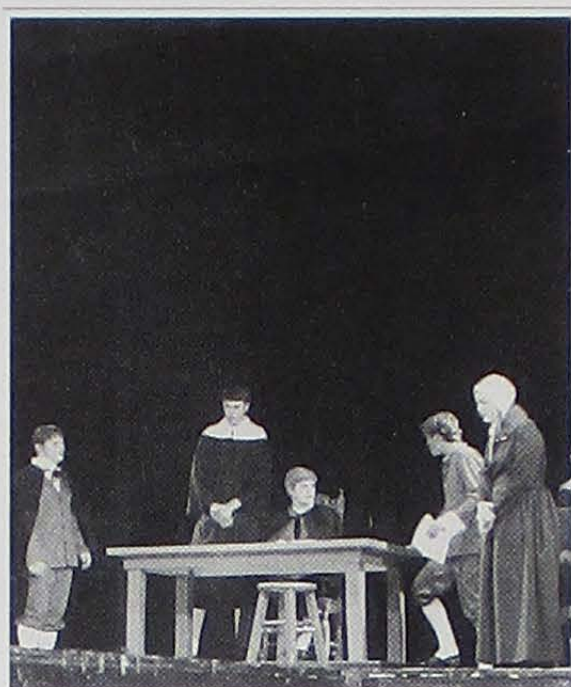
of us have acted together since freshman year and this was a significant goodbye for that group," senior **Jim VanFleet** said.

VanFleet played Judge Danforth who condemned to death John Proctor, played by senior **Nate Staniforth**.

"All of the seniors and many of the other actors were crying at the end of the play. John Proctor's tragic death that closed the play symbolized the end of our Ames High acting careers," senior **Sarah White** said. White played Abigail Williams, the girl most

responsible for Proctor's death.

"*The Crucible* was definitely a challenging piece, but it proved to be a strong and rewarding finish for all of us," White said. "It was amazing."

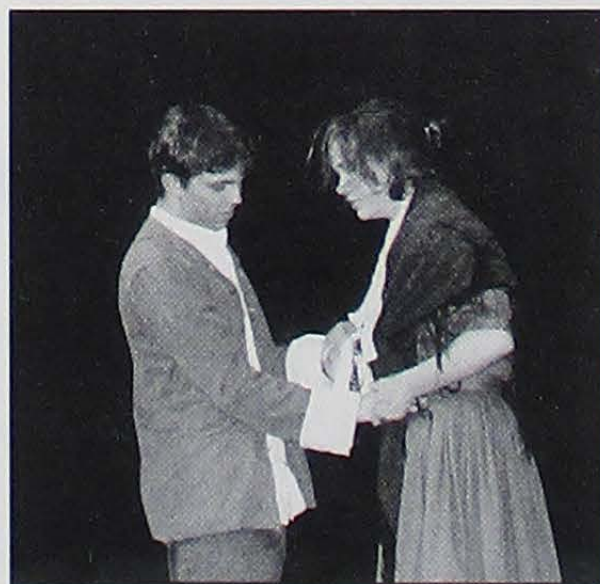


You have
taken my
soul . . .
leave me
my name!



• **LEFT, LEFT, LEFT RIGHT LEFT:** Members of the marching band round a corner into the parking lot during VEISHEA week practices. The band took advantage of the unusually warm and dry weather to march outside almost every day during the week, much to the delight of Fellows Elementary students. For seniors, the VEISHEA parade would be the last time they would have to keep in step. For underclassmen, another year (or three) of marching madness would remain. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

• **IN THE MOMENT:** Seniors **Nate Staniforth** and **Elizabeth Talbert**, as John and Elizabeth Proctor, share an intimate moment during a performance of *The Crucible*. Performing the well-known drama forced the actors to take a new approach to their portrayals, especially since many had studied Arthur Miller's classic in English classes. This intimate knowledge of the play's origins and inspirations gave the audience members a new view of the performance as well. (photo by Allison Burke)

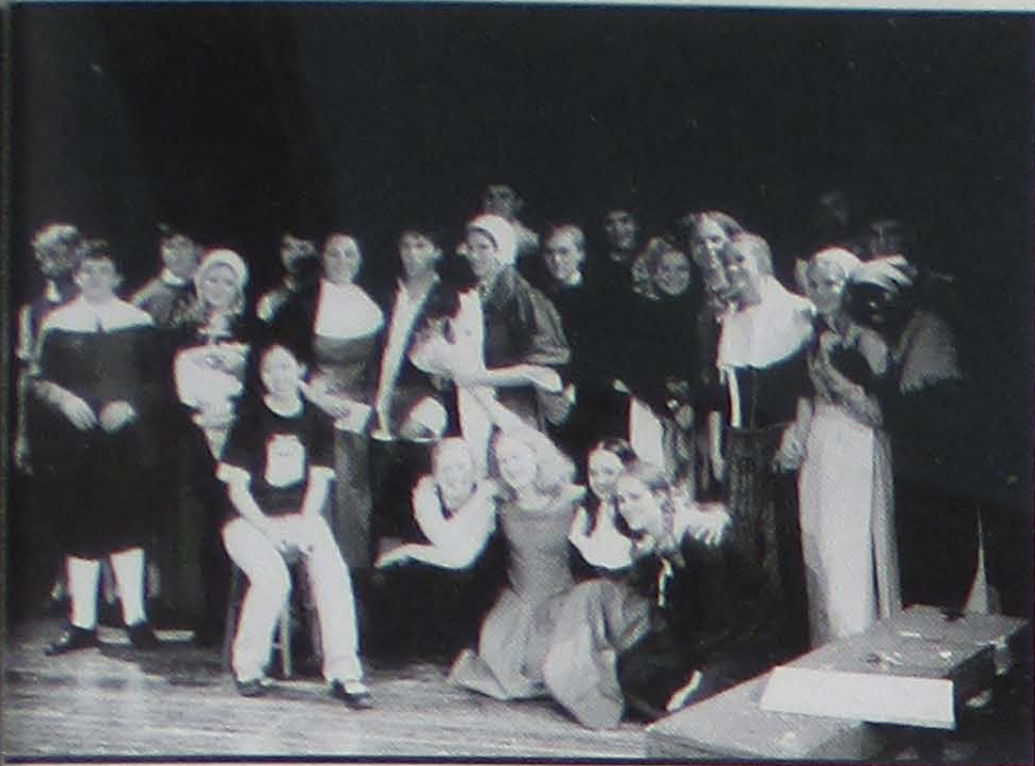


LONG
winded students

During intermission of *The Crucible*, junior **Margaret Johnson**



and senior **Stacy Heideman** take a moment to reflect on the actors' performance. "It was the best play I've ever seen," Heideman said. "I'm really proud of the job everyone did. It was excellent."



• **WITCH!**: Members of *The Crucible* pose for a cast photo. Senior cast members included Veronica Saide, Brittany Prater, Alexandra Sibley-Rundle, Elizabeth Talbert, Nate Staniforth, Sarah White, Steven Anderson, Amanda Hopper, Elisabeth Gillott, Fabian de Kok, Ben Woline, Andrew Houk, Jim Van Fleet, and Brian Clark. (photo by Payne)

funky chickens



Sophomore **Andrea Ottoman** launches a rubber chicken before the start of health class. Playing with food was always fun. (photo by Amanda Burke)



Senior **Jordan Whalen** feels a little free as he does some half-nude filming for the senior video. Luckily, there was no breeze that day. (photo by Greg Payne)



• **WAKING THE DEAD**: Senior Brittany Prater releases an unearthly wail during a scene in the play. Prater played Betty Parris, who had been possessed by the Devil during the scene. Abigail Williams, played by senior Sarah White, was vehemently denying involvement in Satanic rituals the evening before. Reverend Parris, played by junior Jon Russell, questioned her with suspicion. The play was widely considered to be one of the best dramatic performances in recent years. "The acting was superb; an appropriately chilling execution," Russell said. (photo by Allison Burke)

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B/TN Roosevelt @ Home
9th/10th B/TR Ames Invite
9th/10th G/TR @ Newton

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B/SC @ Roosevelt
B/TN East @ Home
G/TN @ East
G/GF Lincoln @ Home
G/TR Ames Invite

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B/TN @ Lincoln
G/TN Lincoln @ Home
B/TR @ Kenny Dean
Relays (Marshalltown)
Spring Play

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B/SC Urbandale @ Home
G/TR @ Dodge Relays (Ft Dodge)
Spring Play

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G/TN Ames Invite
Spring Play

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April



• **TAKING A BREAK:** During the Drake Relays, seniors **Ben Cronin**, **Mark Bokhoven**, and **Abraham Tim** walk over to the stands to talk to their friends. (photo by Julie Prindle)



• **RUNNING MAN:** Junior **Kyle Rippey** loosens his muscles before competing in the Drake Relays by jogging around the track. (photo by Julie Prindle)



• **LULLABY:** During a seven-hour bus ride to St. Louis, Earth Science teacher **Nancy Svien** and her husband, **Tim**, take a nap. The flat midwestern landscape proved a boring sight during the choir trip. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **COLOR ME GOOD:** Deciding that the prom poster boasting this year's theme, *Wonderful Tonight*, was slightly bare, Junior Senate members **Nandita Agrawal** and **Dara Poorman** break out the markers. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

Choir Tour 2001

It was barely light outside when 130 bleary-eyed Ames High students began to show up to school with luggage bags. The students, many carrying pillows and blankets, piled onto the three charter buses to drive to St. Louis for Choir Tour 2001. The highlights of the trip included a stop at the St. Louis Arch, Six Flags, and the St. Louis Zoo. The Ames High Choir was also privileged with the opportunity to sing during a mass at the St. Louis Cathedral.

Although the busy itinerary was meant to keep the student entertained, several found the down time in the hotel rooms to be the best part of the trip.

"**Ben Comstock** was hypnotized in one of the guy's rooms. He dressed up, danced and sang for us."
-sophomore **Katie Cottrill**

"All I remember is playing poker all night and being forty dollars short in the morning."
-sophomore **Matt Thompson**

"Late-night discussions in the hotel where everybody laughed at everything because we were so tired. I was able to get to know some people better than I thought possible for such a short amount of time."
-sophomore **Kristin Redmond**



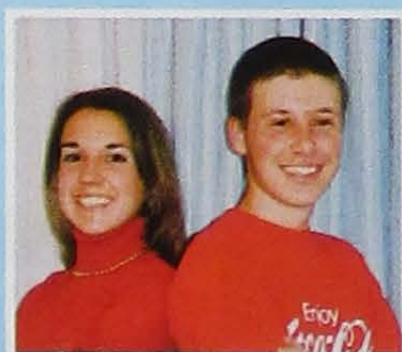
JEN & NATE

Co-Presidential Race

ANDREW & SARA

Jen Lowry and Nate Logston's Super Seven Plan

- Years of experience: three
- Planks:
 - Enrich cafeteria environment
 - Modernize computer technology
 - Extend student freedom
 - Recognize student domain
 - Student control over student organization
 - Promote school spirit and support
 - Student involvement
 - Satisfy student educational interests
- Slogan: RED (Reactive, Experienced, Determined)



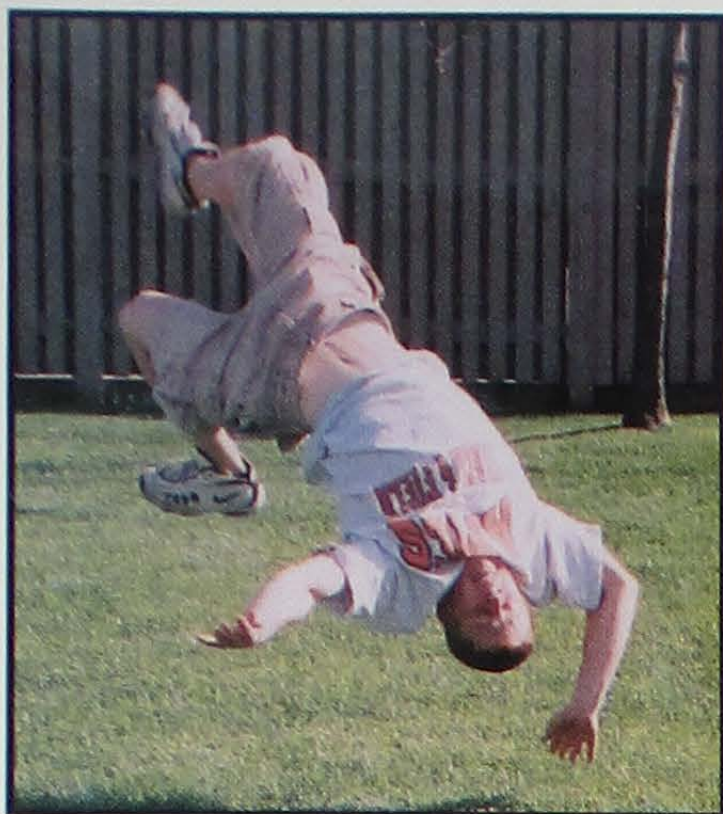
Andrew Goedeken and Sara Simons' Platform For Change

- Years of experience: six
- Planks:
 - Open lunch for sophomores
 - Open campus for juniors
 - Oral announcements
 - Music signaling the start of class
 - Guaranteed parking for upperclass men
 - Students getting an "A" in a class will not take that final
 - Lunch prices reduced
 - Radio Station, AHS Channel 7, more issues of the Web
- Slogan: Fighting For Freedom





• **HEAD OVER HEELS:** Sophomore Mike Jones shows off his acrobatic abilities as he does a back handspring. Jones, along with twenty others, competed in the Puppet Festival in Chicago. The team, Up With Puppets, placed silver overall and certain members were commended for exceptional puppet technique. An added side note: Jones landed the flip. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



• **CATCHIN' SOME RAYS:** Junior Justin Rule takes advantage of the warm weather by grabbing his sack-lunch and heading outside to the courtyard. After a long, cold winter the warm weather was a welcomed change for the students. The long-anticipated spring finally arrived at Ames High, allowing the students to enjoy the courtyard during lunch and free periods. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **EINSTEINS:** Smiling for a group picture, several seniors gather together at the Honors Banquet. The annual banquet was held at the Holiday Inn where seniors with cumulative grade point averages of 3.9 or higher were recognized for their academic efforts. The senior class of 2001 wowed the everyone with an impressive number of forty-three seniors earning a 3.9 G.P.A. or higher. There were also many administrators, teachers and proud parents present at the event to commend the students for their hard work throughout high school. After receiving recognition, students were given the opportunity to share their future plans for after graduation. Also included in the evening's program were a string quartet and pianist, as well as a dinner. (photo by Greg Payne)

• **BON APPETIT:** During the annual French IV Dinner, seniors Laura Obrycki and Julie Song smile as they share a bowl of French onion soup. All French IV students brought different dishes to the pot luck, ranging from authentic French dessert chocolates to sparkling grape juice. They also selected four juniors from French III to serve the food. "The food was excellent. My favorite dish was the tiramisu, which was basically a chunk of white, dark and milk chocolate. The dinner gave me a nice closure to four years of hard work and laughs with classmates. French was academically challenging, but I also made strong friendships in a more intimate setting than I may have received in a different foreign language class," Obrycki said. The students, along with providing the meals for each other, designed the table settings, cleaned and washed dishes afterward. (photo courtesy of Laura Obrycki)



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B/SC @ Dowling
B/TN @ Dowling
G/TN @ Dowling
9th/10th B/TR @
Urbandale Invite
G/GF Ames Invite

B/SC @ Johnston
B/TN Valley @ Home
G/TN @ Valley
G/GF @ Mason City

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9th/JV B/TR @ Ankeny
Honors Banquet

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Choir Trip
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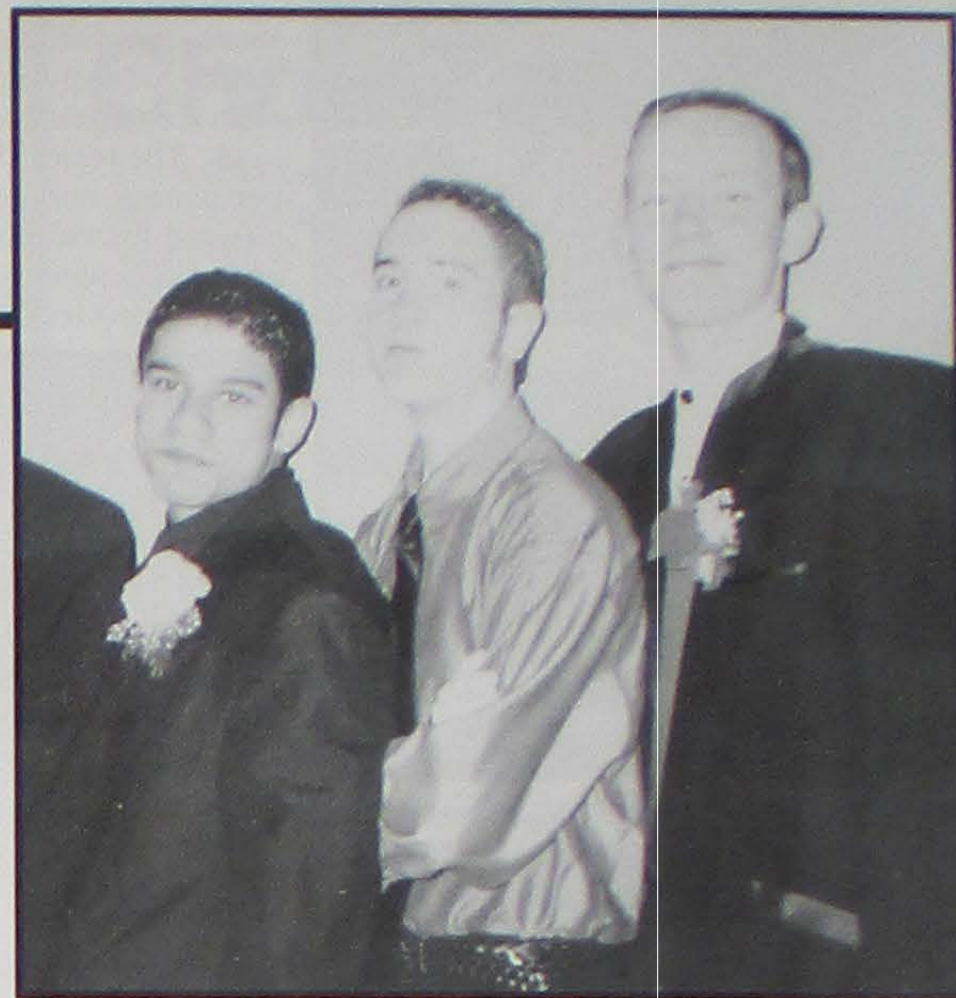
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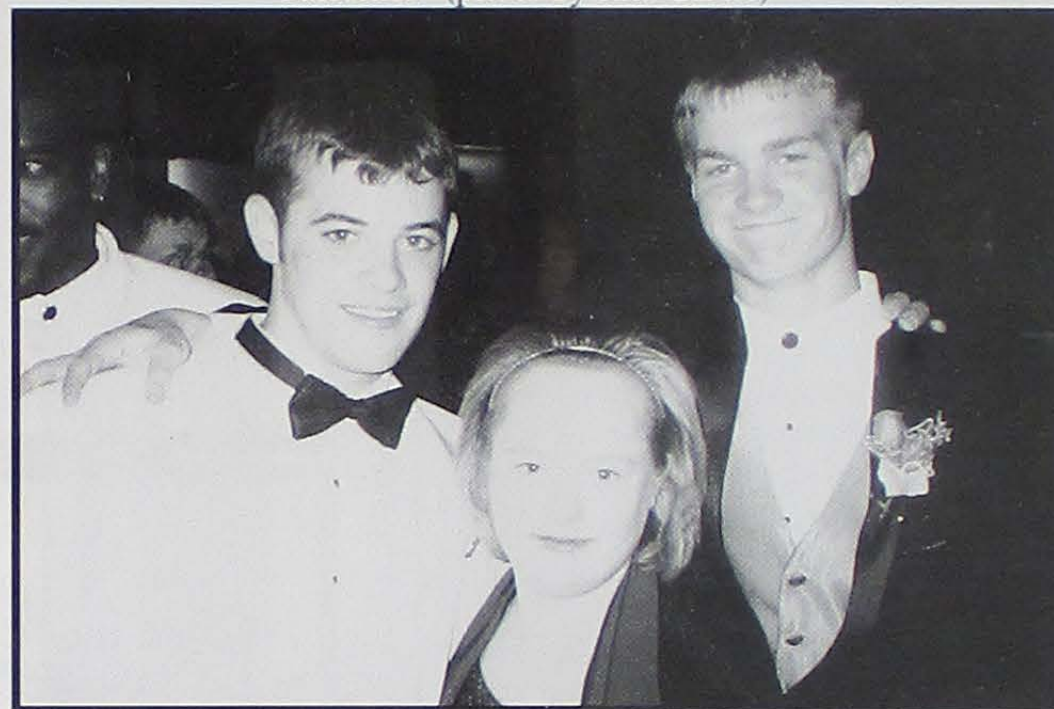


• **A HAIRY TALE:** Senior Kristen McKearen gets her hair done as part of the "Prom Promise," an offer made by the administration and Leedz Hair Salon. Students who signed forms saying they would stay substance-free on prom night were given free hair cuts and styles. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

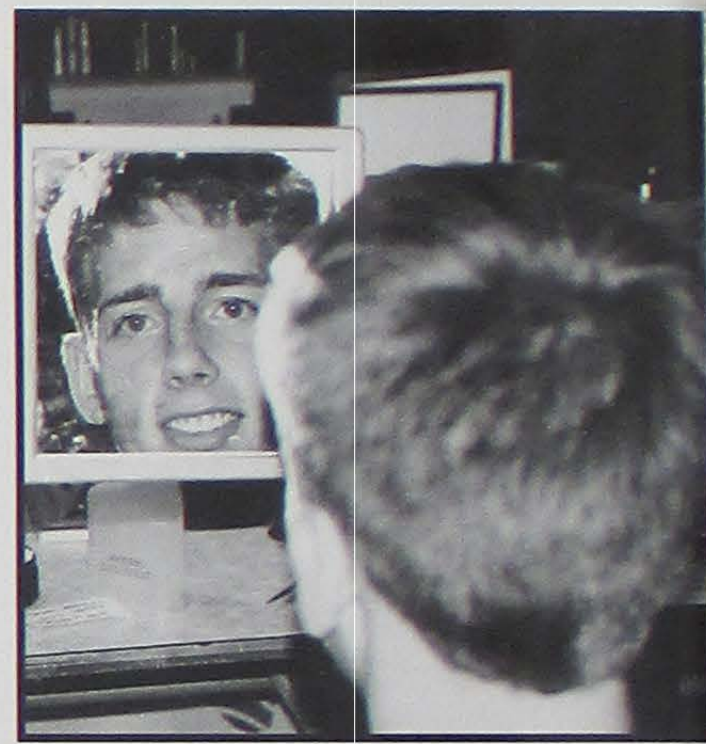
• **ALL DRESSED UP AND NOWHERE TO GO:** On Saturday evening, juniors Taemoor Hassan, Dallas Moore and Mark DiOrio pause for a quick picture during Prom. The design of the long, rectangular Molecular Biology building made it difficult to spot and socialize with friends. During the dance, socializers talked against the walls or outside at tables underneath two tents. (photo courtesy of Taemoor Hassan)



• **I WANNA KNOW IF YOU'LL BE MY GIRL:** Senior Travis Knapp and juniors Diana O'Riley and Derek Larson pose for a picture during a busy evening at Prom. The night's theme was "Beautiful Tonight" and was organized by Junior Senate. The decorations were set up by students who volunteered their time on Friday night. They consisted of huge balloons and columns covered in gold foil along with balloons wrapped in strings of lights hanging from the balconies. (photo by Rita Carter)



• **PRETTY AS A PICTURE:** Senior Jessica Eikenberry gets her hair styled by a Leedz hairdresser on Thursday as part of the "Prom Promise." The "Prom Promise" contract's terms included not drinking or doing drugs on Prom night in exchange for a new 'do, a hair cut or a makeover. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **MIRROR MIRROR ON THE WALL:** Senior Jon Sargent admires his hairdo in the mirror after getting a haircut in the back lobby for signing the "Prom Promise." "The haircut they gave me made me look really hot for prom. I was happy with it," Sargent said. (photo by Greg Payne)

Are you a Survivor of Wonderful Tonight?

What was the prom color?

- A. Gold
- B. Green
- C. White

Who were prom king and queen?

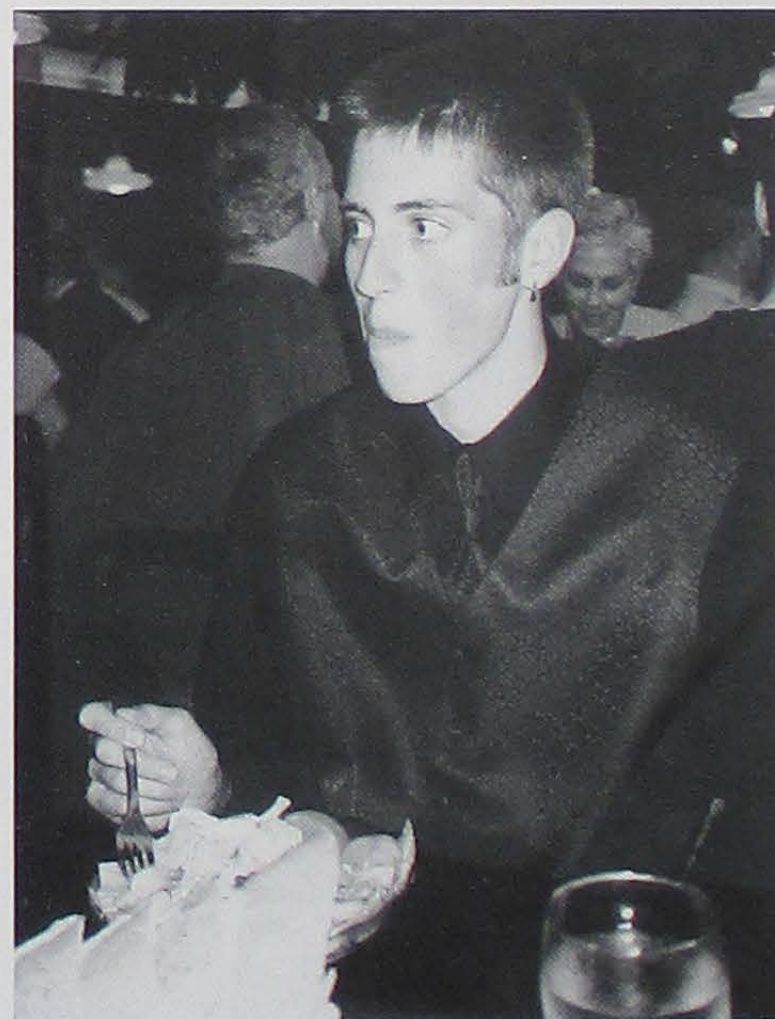
- A. Jim Van Fleet and Meredith Mull
- B. Julia Roberts and Brad Pitt
- C. Nate Logsdon and Jen Lowry

Who did you go to prom with?

- A. A senior
- B. An underclassmen
- C. A junior

What time did you get to prom?

- A. 9:30 p.m.
- B. 1:30 a.m.
- C. 7:30 p.m.



If you chose ...
Mostly A's: Well done! You not only survived prom, you rocked the par-tay. You are worthy of the Prom Prize.

Mostly B's: Nice try, but it's obvious you didn't even GO to prom. Are you even a student at Ames High? Who ARE you, anyway? A sophomore?

Mostly C's: You're survivin' but you ain't thrivin'.

Senior Stephen Koranda winces while attempting to eat a greek olive. Koranda and friends ate at Cafe Northwest for dinner. (photo by Rita Carter)

news

Senior **Ben Gunning** and his inflatable date are intercepted by special education teacher **Dr. Leonard Larson** who thought his date was not appropriate for Prom. "I don't see why she couldn't come just because she didn't have a brain...or bones," Gunning said. (photo by Rita Carter)



• I'LL SEE YOU AND RAISE YOU TEN:

Waiting for Post Prom to start, juniors **Shaun Olson** and **Mark Sorenson** pass the time by participating in a game of poker. Post Prom was held at the Memorial Union in the Sun Room and the Great Hall. It lasted from 12:30 to 3 a.m. and was attended by many students. Junior parents organized the event in order to give the student body safe activities in which to participate after Prom. This year the theme was "Survivor" after the popular CBS television show. Included in the night were a hypnotist, gambling games such as blackjack and roulette which were hosted by Knights of Columbus members, bowling, a raffle, and endless tables of pizza, subs, popcorn, ice cream bars, candy, cookies, potato chips and soda pop. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **HIP HOP HOORAY:** Senior **Sarah Lasley** reminisces about the days of her childhood while playing a game of hopscotch. During a nice Friday afternoon, several classes took time to swim in curdled pudding and chase headless chickens. Following all this, they decided to swing by the Max and check up on Screech, Zach, and the whole gang. The Webbsster draws the line at the cheesy poofs. Mosquito bites itch. Aunt Betty's Coffee Shop is open twenty-four hours. Grab 'n go. This is the highlight of my career. I'm reading Seventeen magazine and enjoying it. The most popular name is James. My name's James. I hate my parents. Oh, Newton pictures! The hood's been good to me. Man I wish I had a dime for everytime I smelled someone smoking in the bathroom. After a relaxing afternoon in the sunny outdoors, Lasley returned to her final classes. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



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Choir Trip

B/SC Ft Dodge @
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G/GF Ft Dodge @
Home
G/TN Roosevelt @
Home
Choir Trip

B/SC @ Marshalltown
B/TN @ Ft Dodge
G/TN Ft Dodge @ Home
B/TR @ Mason City
Invite
G/GF @ Marshalltown

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Spring Choral Concert

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B/SC Hoover @ Home
B/TN Marshalltown @
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G/TN @ Marshalltown
State Large Group
Contest @ Valley

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G/TN Ames JV Invite
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history

By
Ann
Benson

in the making

Douglas against Lincoln. George W. Bush against Gore. Juniors **Andrew Goedecken** and **Sara Simons** against **Nate Logsdon** and **Jen Lowry**? There

have been several media-catching elections throughout the history of America, and the race for Ames High's 2001-2002 student council copresidents was no exception. The chaos began when, after several weeks without competition opposing Goedecken and Simons, Jen Lowry and Nate Logsdon registered late. The next

Wednesday at their meeting, Student Council voted to extend the application deadline. "Nate and Jen were added to the race in a very fair way: Student Council voted to admit them after the

deadline, but the compromise also stated that Jen and Nate couldn't have their names on the ballot," senior Student Council member **Sylvia Fanous** said.

Thus, the race was on. With crazy slogans like "RED" (Reactive Experienced Determined) for Lowry and Logsdon and signs sporting sexual innuendos from "Geodo-Sims," the race proved that it would be a fight to the finish.

In the end, Lowry and Logsdon prevailed. "We couldn't have gotten ev-

erything done without our committee's help. I learned so much from Nate and our supporters. I also got to know more about Student Council and what student democracy stands for," Lowry said.

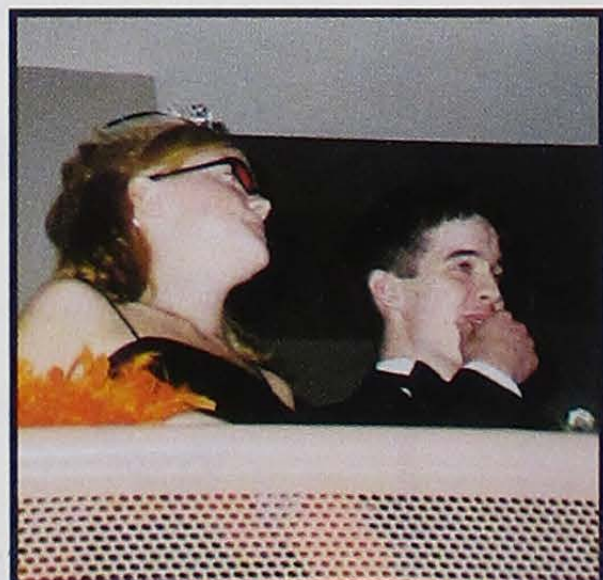


Douglas vs. Lincoln, Bush vs. Gore and . . . 'Geodo-Sims' against 'RED'?



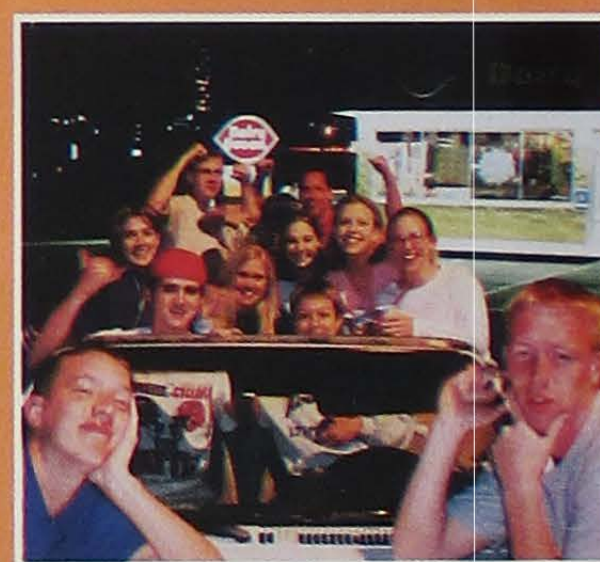
• **VICTORY ON THE BATTLEFIELD:** Senior **Neal McAndrews**, junior **Stephanie Brunia**, and seniors **Melissa Shill** and **Mattea Wayne** celebrate their award after Battle of the Bands. Their band, Spunky Munkys, won an award for "Fastest Set-Up Time." "They had five awards: Hundredth Green Butterfly Favorite, Audience Favorite, Loudest, Best Environmental Song, and ours. We got the joke award. All we had to do was set the microphones at the front of the stage and give Mattea spoons," Brunia said. (photo courtesy of Mattea Wayne)

• **CHILLING WITH YOUR HIGHNESSES:** Seniors **Meredith Mull** and **Jim Van Fleet** react with surprise after being crowned prom king and queen. As they smiled with joy of being royalty, Van Fleet said, "I hope it's not a popularity contest because then it's very, very flawed. I moved into town in eighth grade and that was possibly the worst year of my life because I was worried that I would never have any real friends. Now, I don't have any real friends, but I have a lot of fake friends. (photo by Greg Payne)



LONGwinded students

"We were chillin' at D Q when some dudes jumped in Emily's



car. We were scared at first, but decided to give them a piece of our mind anyway. After I jumped in the back seat, I realized it was just graduate Jen Oftedal and her college homies."

-Julie Prindle, Senior



• **IN THE GEODO:** Juniors Mary Ellett and Emily Gleeson paint a "Geodo-Sims" poster in preparation for the student council co-presidential election. Many friends and supporters of juniors Andrew Goedecken and Sara Simons gathered together Sunday afternoon to help advertise their ideas and plans for the upcoming year. (photo by Greg Payne)

propaganda parties



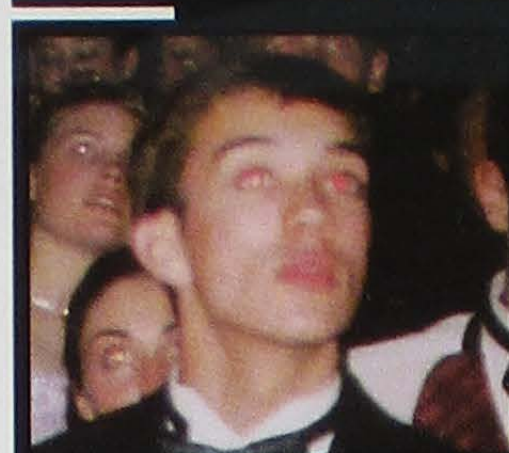
With senior Greg Payne and junior Nevin Sebastian, co-presidential candidate junior Sara Simons participates in an assembly. (photo by Clark)



Junior Nate Logsdon supervises while his chair of publicity, junior Nitin Gadia, as he slaps their RED poster on the wall. (photo by Greg Payne)



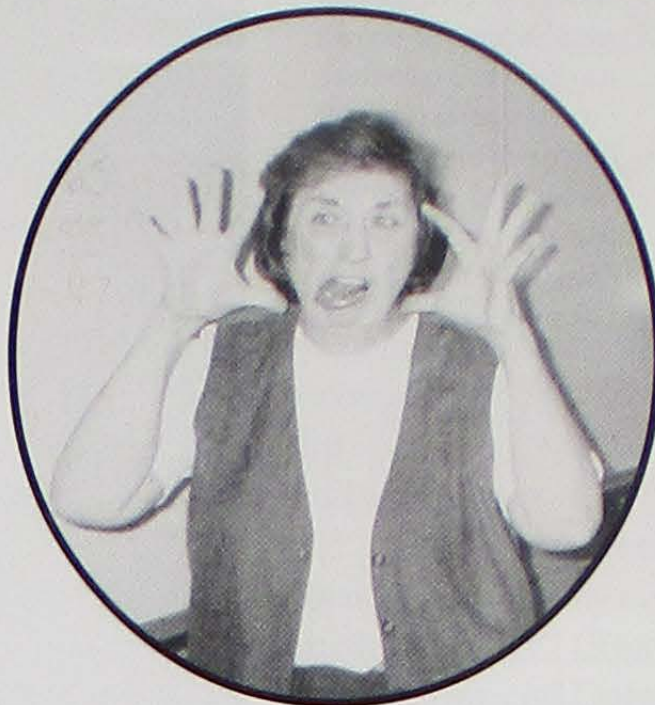
• **MAKEOVER FUN:** Senior Heather Lowman laughs as she begins to highlight senior Emily Smith's hair. "It was the Friday night after we went to the Drake Relays. We were really tired, so we went to my house and Heather agreed to highlight my hair. We watched the television show "Crime Scene Investigation", painted our fingernails to practice for prom, and highlighted my hair. Then we went to Dairy Queen to celebrate. It was a really fun night despite how tired we were from being at the Relays," Smith said. (photo by Julie Prindle)



Prom



• **NEVER A FREE MOMENT:** Appointments with assistant principal **Mike Avise** were often hard to come by. His duties kept him busy throughout the day and included counseling seniors who were in danger of failing and working on class schedules. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **AARGH:** Spanish teacher **Sue Lawler** shows signs of what a year's worth of teaching hormone-driven teenagers can do to a person. (photo courtesy of Sara Clayton)



• **DRESSMAKER, DRESSMAKER, MAKE ME A DRESS:** Junior **Katie Brannan** displays the creation she designed and sewed for her fashion class. The project also doubled as a skirt for summer missions trips. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **PICTURE PERFECT:** Freshmen **Travis Stair** and **Beth Gibbons** pose for their photograph during the Freshman Spring Fling dance on Saturday. Their theme of *Almost Paradise* inspired a tropical atmosphere. (photo by Jen Alexander)

Hand Signs

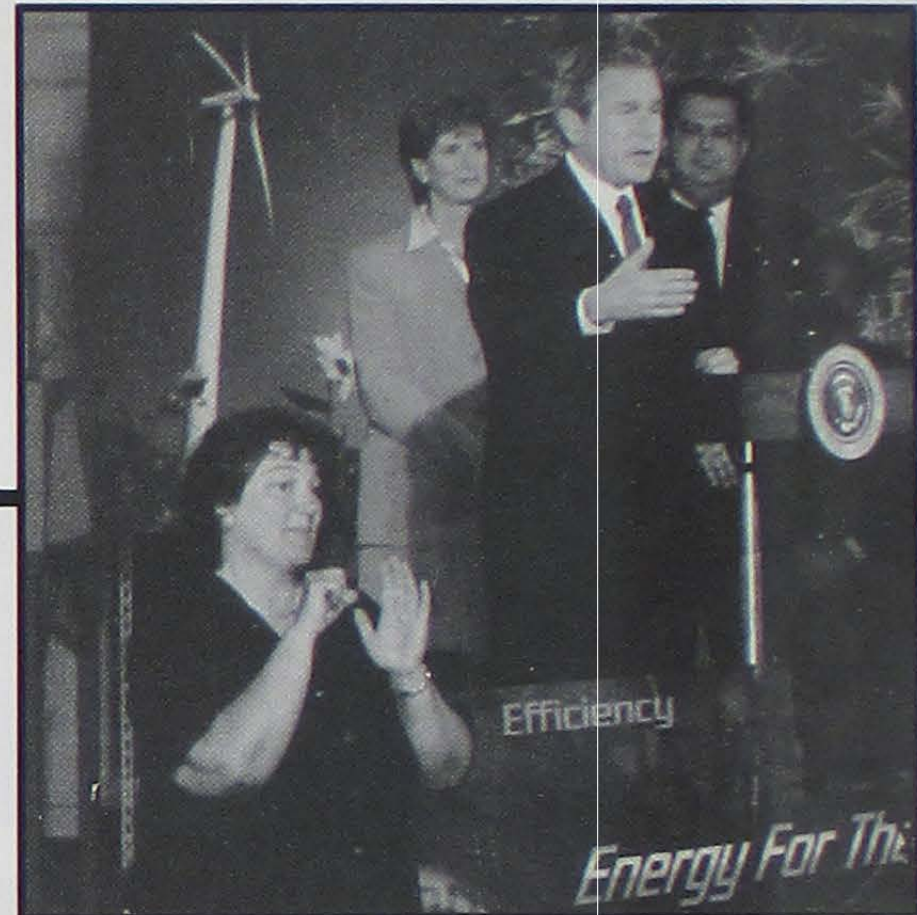
Educational assistant **Sue Nutter** was given a rare opportunity. She was asked to sign on behalf of the President of the United States. At the BioMass plant in Nevada, Iowa, President George W. Bush spoke about the importance of reducing the energy crisis and increasing the use of ethanol. His speech was made in hopes of motivating Nevada residents to continue on their path of energy conservation.

Although Nutter was pleased to receive the honor, she was bewildered by the entire experience. "Security was very intricate. There were many, many security check points that I had to go through," Nutter said.

In addition to the tight security, Nutter knew very little about the entire event. "I didn't even know who I was signing for. They escorted me up to the front, told me where to stand and pointed me in the direction I was to sign," Nutter added.

After Bush's presentation, Nutter received the chance to speak with him. "He was very pleasant. He tried to make jokes and asked me if I signed with a southern drawl. He wanted to know if he had made any mistakes and said he hoped I had corrected them," Nutter said.

Nutter's signing career began as a child, when she signed for her deaf parents. Since then she has worked primarily as an interpreter for senior **Josh Wagner**. Nutter has attended Wagner's classes, practices and games. During football huddles, Nutter even followed Wagner out onto the field to sign for him.



SOFTBALL

Clash of the Diamonds

BASEBALL



- The balls are bigger and softer, which is where the name *softball* comes from.
- The pitcher's mound is forty feet away from home plate compared to the baseball pitcher's mound which is sixty feet away.
- The bases are sixty feet apart compared to the baseball bases which are ninety feet apart.
- There is a larger sweet spot on the bat allowing for a greater margin of error.
- Organized softball has been played since WWII when baseball players were drafted into the war.
- The players are allowed to wear shorts with knee socks.

- The balls are smaller and harder than softballs.
- The pitcher's mound is sixty feet away from home plate compared to the softball pitcher's mound which is forty feet away.
- The bases are ninety feet apart compared to the softball bases which are sixty feet apart.
- The sweet spot on a baseball bat is smaller.
- Baseball has been around longer than softball.
- Baseball has been dubbed America's national pastime because it has been played since the 1800s.
- The baseball players are required to wear pants.





• **HANGING IN MID-AIR:** At the senior directed one-acts, junior Jon Dobbs receives the privilege of being suspended from the auditorium rafters. "It was fun the first few times, but then it got painful," he said. "I hope I can still have children." Each character in Woody Allen's one act entitled *God* was named after an ailment, such as "Bursitis" and "Hepatitis." (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

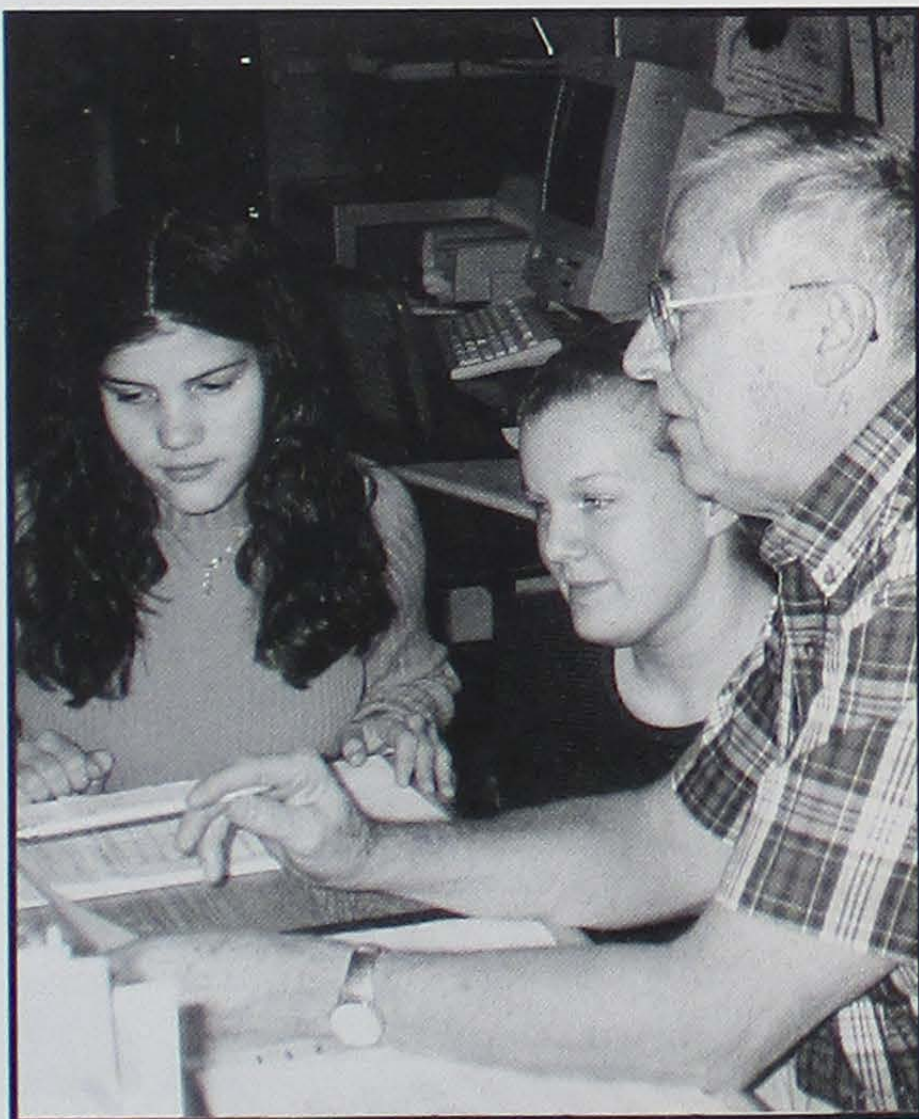


• **BEAR HUG:** Sophomore Mikki Colbert embraces sophomore Mark Norris in a scene from the senior directed one-act, *Werewolf*. Norris, a middle-aged man convinced he was slowly turning into a werewolf, had gone to visit his "Mumsy," played by Colbert. Through a series of flashbacks, Norris related his experiences with an abusive wife and overprotective mother. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



• **THE TIME IS PRIME:** During their last youth group meeting of the year, seniors Emily Smith and Rachel Smelser write messages on the sidewalks of Brookside Park with sidewalk chalk. The girls were participants of Prime Time, the high school youth program of the Evangelical Free Church of Ames. Students could participate in several different activities during the evening. They played sand volleyball, catch with a football, and tossed around a frisbee. Hamburgers and hot dogs were on hand to barbeque. Chips, cookies and pop were also provided for the youth group members to munch on throughout the night. After the sun went down, a large movie screen was set up to showcase some student-made films. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

• **SPELL CHECK:** After class, freshmen Denise Clark and Molly Carpenter go over their writing assignment with English teacher Keith Carlson. Clark and Carpenter were members of Carlson's ninth grade writing class. In the quarter-long class, freshmen learned about grammar and the different styles of papers, such as narratives and descriptive essays. The other quarter of freshman English was spent in speech, where students learned the steps of creating a successful presentation in front of an audience. Freshmen were also required to take ninth grade literature, a semester-long class. In this class, freshmen read foundational literary works. Such works included Homer's *Odyssey* and Ernest Hemingway's *The Old Man and the Sea*. These pieces were often referred to in upper level English courses and were thus important pieces to be remembered. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



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BG/GF Newton /Boone @ Home
G/SC Ankeny @ Home
G/TR @ Districts

B/SC Newton @ Home
B/TN @ Newton
G/TN Newton @ Home
G/TR @ Hawk Relays

Coaches Recognition Night
Scholarship Night

B/SC @ Valley
G/SC @ Indianola
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G/GF @ Conf
One Acts

B/TR @ Valley Relays
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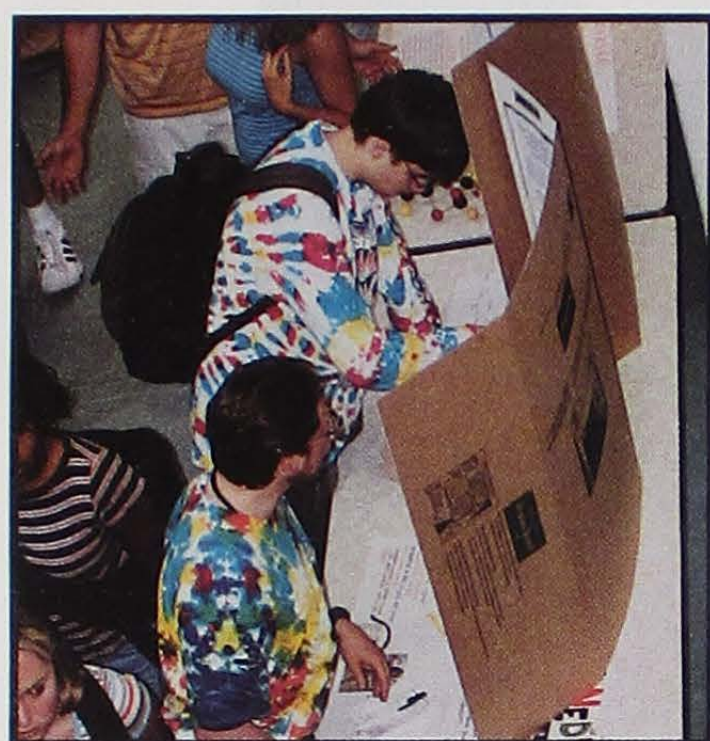
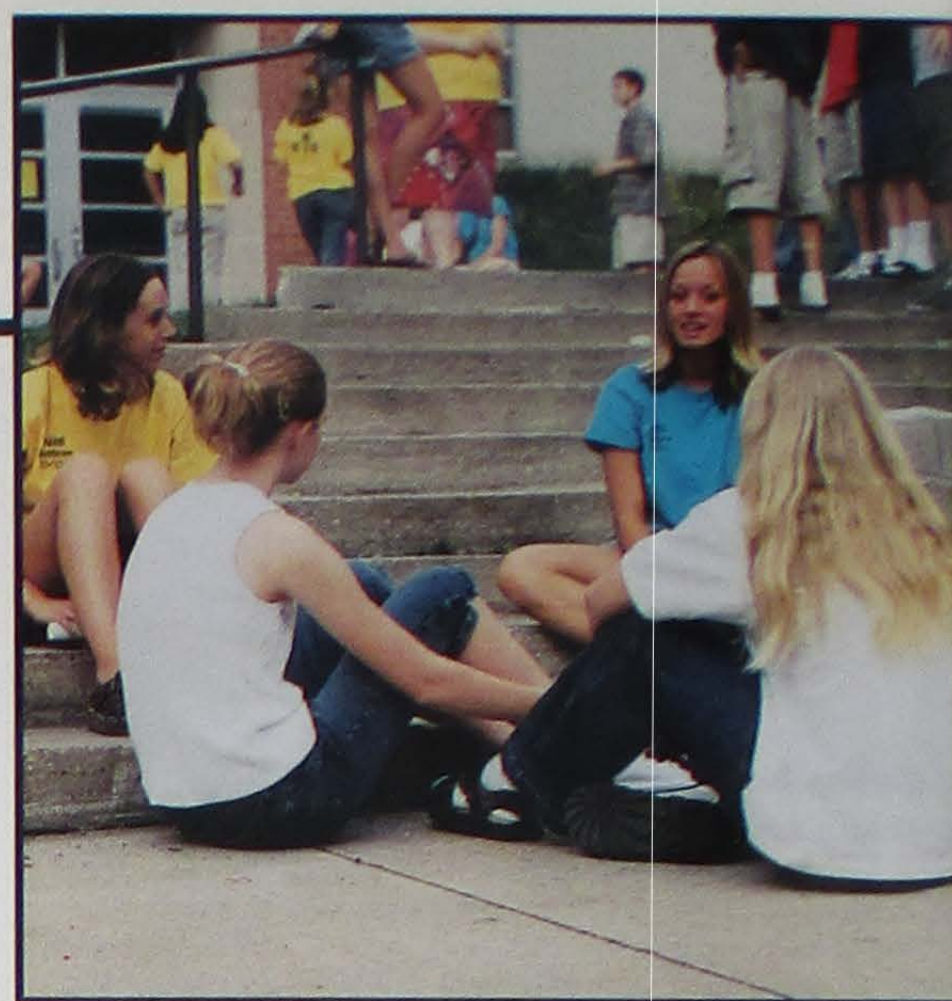
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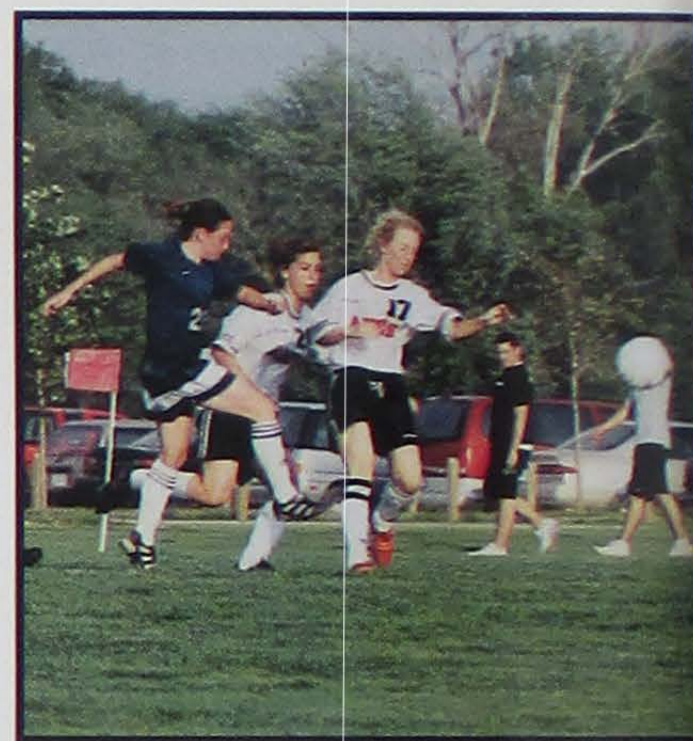
• **WANNABE BLONDE:** Sophomore **Jennie Cummings** prepares a home highlighting kit to lighten up her naturally auburn locks. Many girls tanned and lightened their hair in order to acquire the summer look before the season began. (photo by Rita Carter)

• **DON'T DO AS I DO, DO AS YOU'RE TOLD:** Juniors **Stephanie Moore** and **Lauren Morz** give advice to visiting eighth graders on Wednesday evening's orientation. Soon-to-be seniors gave tours, answered questions and dished out advice to the incoming freshman. "It was cool look at them and see myself in their place a couple years ago," Morz said. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



• **TIE-DYED:** Senior **Ryan Lott**, adorned with his chemistry tie-dyed shirt, adjusts his display while chemistry teacher **Ron Schuck** looks on. During their last week of school, senior chemistry students displayed their shirt creations and their environmental projects in the back lobby. (photo by C. Clark)

• **PLAY ME A TUNE:** Before performing in the spring band concert, junior **Julia Slocum** gets in some last minute practice with her flute, while junior **Melissa Riedesal** listens and offers support. Slocum, a member of the woodwind section, and Riedesal, a member of the percussion section, performed solos during one of the selections played by Concert Band. The spring concert was a culmination of the band's year-long efforts that showcased many solos. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



• **GIRL POWER:** During the girl's soccer game against Roosevelt, freshman **Nadia Hashemi Toroghi** and senior **Bri Staff** prove that girls do play tough by fighting after the ball. Tenacity and dedication to the game were common characteristics of the entire team. (photo by C. Clark)

Are You a (Concert) Band Groupie?

Which is an Ames High band name?

- A. Symphonic
- B. Overture
- C. Backstreet Boys

What are the director's names?

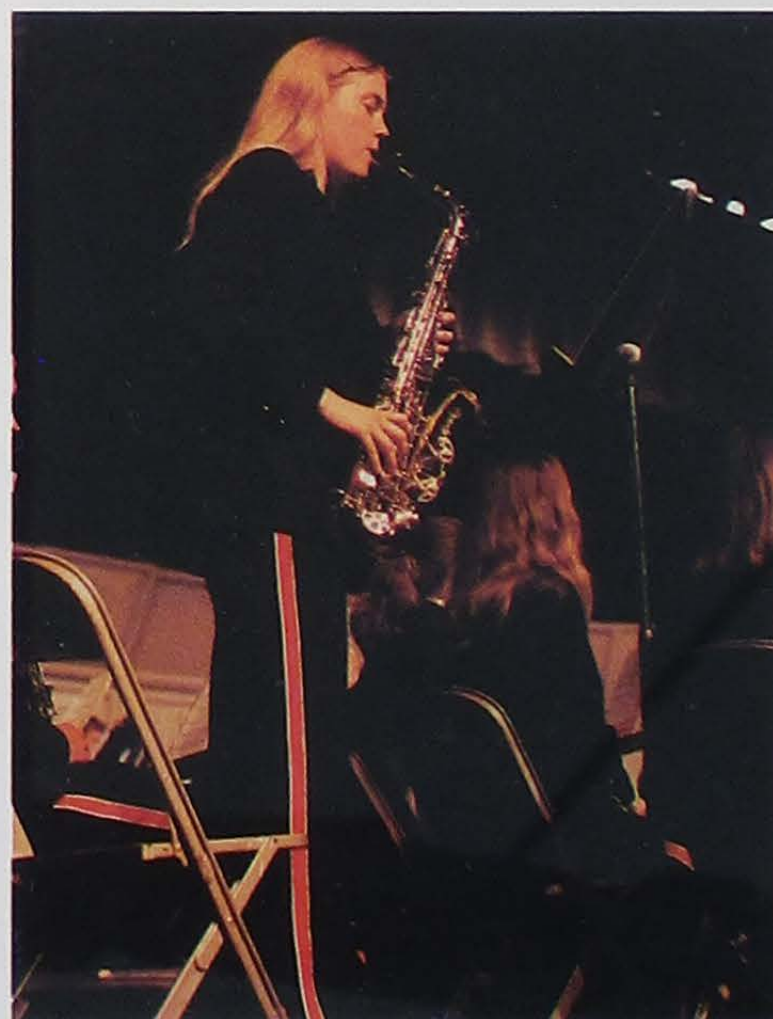
- A. Chris Ewan and Homer Gartz
- B. Marge and Homer Simpson
- C. Bert and Ernie

Concert Band members wear...

- A. Black Jackets
- B. Marching Hats
- C. Nothing

The percussion section includes...

- A. Drums, Cymbals and Xylophones
- B. Bass Clarinets and Cellos
- C. Tuba



If you chose ...
Mostly A's: Well done, you obviously know all there is to know about concert band. Now, if you'd just stop stalking the flute section ...

Mostly B's: Do you know where you are right now?

Mostly C's: Although it's amazing that you took time away from your diligent Nick Carter worshipping, you failed. You know nothing. Now go home and clean your ears.

Senior **Christa Miller** plays her sax solo during the symphonic band performance.

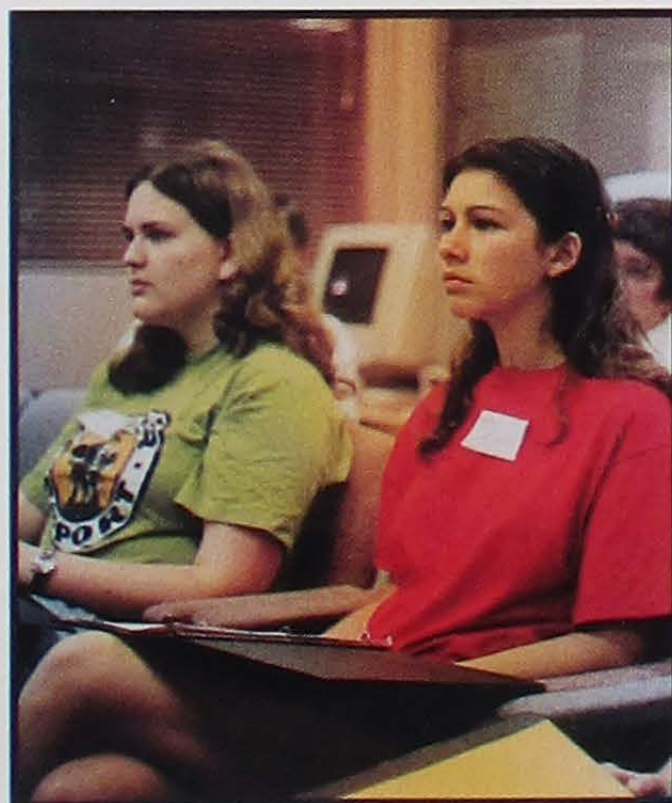
awards

At the Awards Assembly, freshman **Jessica Balvanz** looks on from the orchestra section while students receive awards. The assembly was held in honor of the graduating class of 2001. Non-seniors were also recognized in areas such as english, art and speech. (photo by Jen Alexander)



• **KUMBAYA:** While on a camp-out, senior **Ryan Seiler** shows sophomore **Jason Munday** chords to a song. The two were on a camping trip to Ledges State Park in Boone with their church, First United Methodist Church. The overnight included a rousing game of ultimate frisbee, a weeny roast and several sing-alongs, led by Seiler and Munday. "I've been playing guitar for about a year now. I started playing because a good friend of mine inspired me to. Playing the guitar and writing songs are two of my favorite things to do. They help me center myself and relax when I'm stressed out," Seiler said. Munday had a different reason for playing the instrument. "I do it to pick up girls. I guess it doesn't really work," Munday said. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION, PLEASE?: Juniors **Carrie Gatewood** and **Anyia Savikhin** listen intently as a representative from publishing company Herff Jones gives a presentation to members of the junior senate. Many members of the senate were asked to attend the meeting to learn more about the publishing house, who worked along with the Jostens company to handle Ames High's graduation. The companies published a catalogue that was handed out to each senior, detailing the various items that could be purchased to prepare for the upcoming graduation ceremony; including announcements, tassels, and class rings. Herff Jones, who had represented Ames High in the past, was competing with Jostens in a bid to be the sole publisher of the senior graduation announcements and invitations. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



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Band Concert

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Awards Assembly
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G/TN @ Regionals
National Science
Olympiad
Summer Sports Kick-Off

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G/SC @ Urbandale
G/TR @ State
National Science
Olympiad

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G/TN @ Regionals
G/TR @ State
National Science
Olympiad

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May

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By
Nick
Meyer

with the wind

For four years, we have been herded through the halls of Ames High School like sheep to their pens. We sat through long hours of lecture and demonstration.

Now, after four years of bells, classes, and referrals, we, the seniors of Ames High School, have attained our goal: graduation.

On May 24, 2001, we ended our high school careers with memories of the past in our hearts and sights of the future in our eyes. We spent time remembering what it was like to be younger. **Brian Clark**

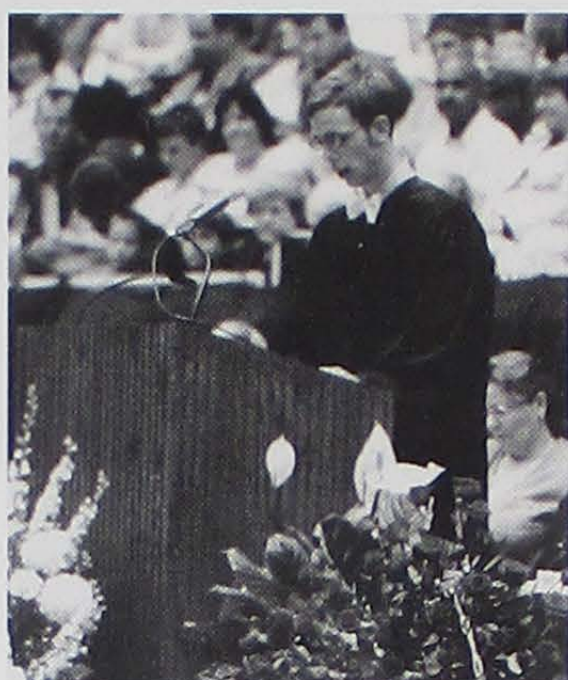
worded it best in his speech when he asked us, "Could you ever imagine being so big, or so handsome, or so . . . so hairy?" Then, at Brian's suggestion, we looked at ourselves and saw just how

much we had grown these past few years, and for the last time we saw each other as the class of 2001.

Graduation was a time for remembering, yet throughout the

evening were messages that we must start looking ahead. From the name of the ceremony, "Commencement," to **Kejing Wang's** speech in which he said, "Today we are heroes, tomorrow we are zeroes," we were reminded that we had to look ahead or risk being run off the road of life.

Now we continue down that road as Ames High alumni. While we will spend most of our time looking ahead to the future, we must remember our roots; we should look back every once in awhile too.



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• **WALK THIS WAY:** Juniors **A Platt** and **Nate Logsdon** usher graduating seniors into their seats during Commencement. Four juniors were chosen by Senior Senate to be ushers at the program. Along with Platt and Logsdon, juniors **Jessica Pfeiffer** and **Nima Golchin** assisted with the ushering, including helping high-heeled graduates down the steps after receiving their diplomas. "We were only supposed to help the girls down the stairs. They told us not to do anything if guys fell," Golchin said. (photo by C. Clark)

• **EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION:** On the morning of Commencement, seniors showed up at Hilton Coliseum in order to practice for that evening. As they waited patiently, most were filled with the anticipation of graduating. Following the practice students were given a free pancake breakfast that was provided by the Baccalaureate Committee. The gathering also provided an opportunity for concert chorale sophomores and juniors to leave their third and fourth period classes to run through their performance piece. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



LONG *winded students*

"I liked being **Erin Belcher's** chemistry lab partner. It made labs enjoyable.

Although the manual was often difficult to understand, we usually figured it out. My favorite labs included violent reactions; those were interesting."

-Kelley Kunz, senior





• **PLAYIN' UP A STORM:** As part of a senior tradition, students socialize at an open house. Weekends surrounding graduation were packed with multiple friends' open houses. Senior **Julie Prindle** held her open house in her backyard. The rain let up just long enough for the festivities before continuing to pour. (photo courtesy of Jenny Dobson)

commencement



Seniors **Jared Eckard** and **Andrew Ezarski** wait patiently while their classmates file into their seats at Commencement. (photo courtesy of Mr. Chung)



Senior **Amy Swanson** smiles up at the camera during Commencement on Thursday evening. (photo courtesy of Mr. Chung)



• **TWO TURN TABLES AND A MICROPHONE:** During the early-morning Commencement practice, Assistant Principal **Michael Avise** reads off the long list of names of graduates with distinction. In order to obtain this prestigious title, seniors had to have a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.9 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Forty-seven seniors achieved this high honor after four years of excruciatingly hard effort and lengthy school days. The graduates with distinction were honored with medals at the ceremony to commemorate their accomplishments. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

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9th/10th Bb @ East
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G/SC Johnston @ Home
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JV/V Bb @ Webster City

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G/TN @ Regionals
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Baccalaureate

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Commencement @ Hilton

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B/TR @ State
G/SC Mason City @ Home

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B/TR @ State
V/Bb Ames Classic

May



• **SPINNING THE WEB:** Junior Nitin Gadia watches his peers doodle on their papers during the Web class period. Because the seniors were gone, underclass Web students had no responsibilities for the last week of school. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **SPIRIT SLAVES:** Senior Julie Prindle scrutinizes a SPIRIT spread that needs editing. "Despite the fact that seniors had to return after graduation to finish the yearbook, it's been a privilege to be a part of a true journalistic masterpiece," Prindle said. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



• **MEMORY:** The courtyard was a perfect place for junior Josh Tieken's makeshift game of the always popular test of ability to remember. Tieken and a few other students used four decks of playing cards to entertain themselves during one of their free periods. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



• **CIRCUS ACT:** Junior Rachel Jones stands in the back lobby during her free period to juggle two tennis balls. "I'm not too good at it, but I like to juggle. I feel like a magician when I juggle. It sure beats doing homework!" Jones said. (photo by Melisse Owen)

SPIRIT Seniors Say

"So Long"

Now that we have graduated, we will impart our multitudes of wisdom upon you.

Mr. Webb is the greatest yearbook advisor. If he is not here when you read this book, it is a great shame.

Be nice to your teachers. They are the ones who control your homework load and grades.

Travel. You'll gain way more knowledge than you ever would looking at pictures in a book.

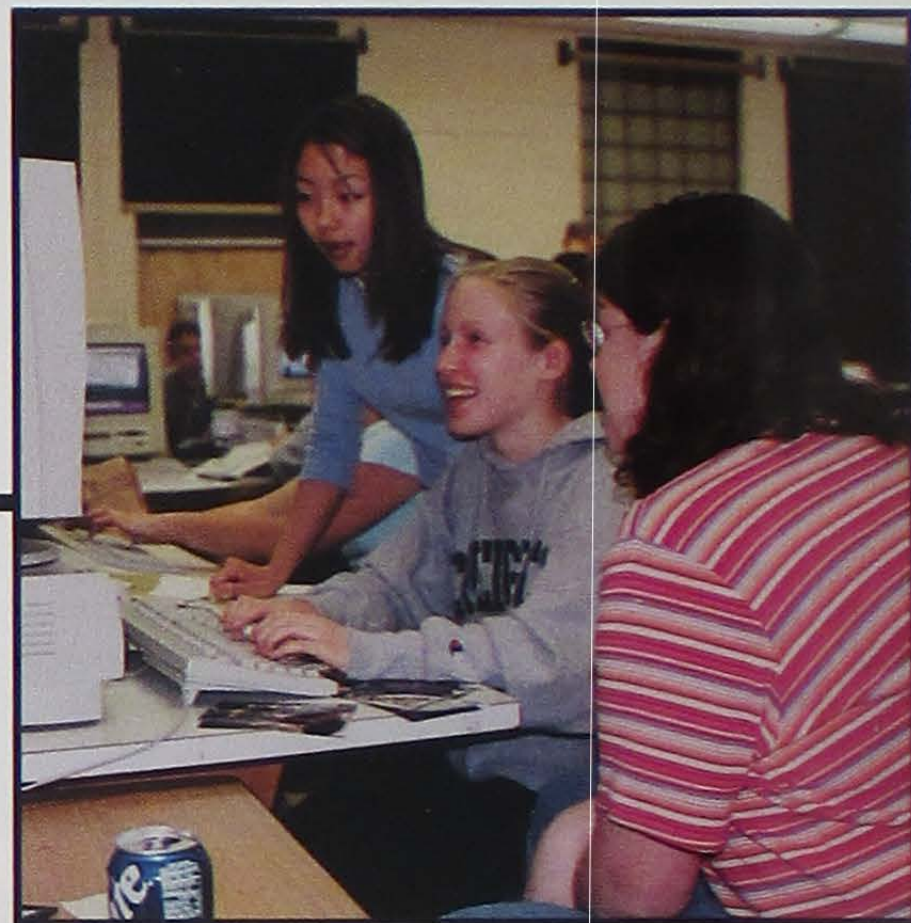
Don't try to park in the lot without a permit. Bev will get you. "BAM!"

Homeroom is not a necessity. Unless, of course, you get Saturday school if you don't go.

Be nice.

Good luck,

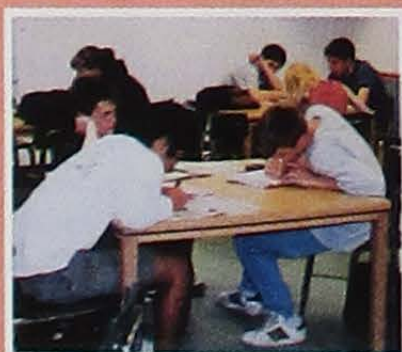
SPIRIT Seniors Amanda Hopper, Amanda Burke, Ann Benson, Julie Song, Julie Prindle, Amy Mekemson, Nick Meyer, Rita Carter and Greg Payne



CON

Finals Week

PRO



- It's the end of the school year, and the last thing anyone wants to do is learn the whole semester over again.
- Back-to-back tests for ninety minutes each? Not fun.
- Our beloved seniors are gone! *Where are all the buff boys and cute girls?*
- You spend more time counting down the minutes before school is out than actually studying.
- Finals give you a chance to lower that 90.1 % A.

- Everybody can park in the lot without feeling the wrath of Bev and getting towed. An extra 80 dollars really comes in handy.
- There's no homework. All the teachers are too busy grading papers and tests to assign more.
- The seniors are gone. No more mean seniors blocking you into your illegal spot in the lot.
- You are almost done with school--only 64.832 hours to go!
- Finals give you a chance to raise that 89.4 % to an A.





• **STUDY CORNER:** Freshman Greg Musgrove finds a secluded spot in the upper back lobby to study for his English 9 Literature final. "Because of first semester finals, I have an idea of how much I need to study. That's really nice compared to the first semester finals, where I didn't have a clue as to what I should expect," Musgrove said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)

• **PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT:** Junior Sandy Chang practices for her art final in the courtyard during her free period. Unlike the unsuspecting, sunbathing freshmen nearby, Chang knew the level of preparation needed for successful finals. "I like drawing with chalk. I brought my chalk to school to give myself a break from all the studying I have been doing," Chang said. (photo by Rita Carter)



• **BOYS JUST WANNA HAVE FUN:** Newly graduated seniors Luke Steinhoff, Jamie Colbert, Luke Stigler, Michael Nassif, and Jamie Smith celebrate being done with high school by eating a long lunch at Great Plains. Great Plains was a very popular hang-out spot for high school students looking for a cheap yet highly delicious lunch. "Their pizza is the best. I love it with the honey they provide. I like to put the honey and pizza crust in my mouth at the same time because it gives the best taste and texture. The smoothness of the honey combined with the flavor of the crust delights my senses. It may sound weird, but once you try it you won't go back to the traditional way of eating pizza crust without honey," Stigler said. (photo Greg Payne)

• **DANDELION WINE:** While studying for his upcoming physics final on Friday, junior Ian Ritz adds a little humor to the study scene by placing the heads of dandelions in his hair. "I really love dandelions and they love me. I have enjoyed picking dandelions ever since I can remember. There used to be tons of dandelions surrounding my house, so it was very easy for me to pick lots of dandelions. I used to do that little kid thing and hold them up to my chin to see if I liked butter. And I always sang the song, 'Mama had a baby and her head popped off!' and then popped the head off the dandelion. There are so many things to do when you have dandelions. They were a big part of my childhood. Since I hate studying for physics, I decided to make it a little more exciting by playing with dandelions once again. It worked, too; it made studying more bearable," Ritz said. (photo by Stephanie Brunia)



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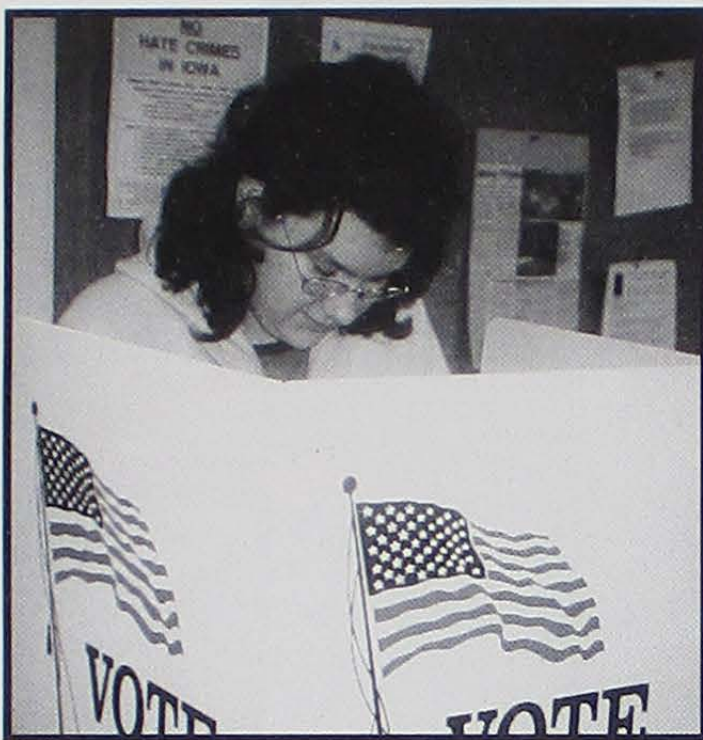
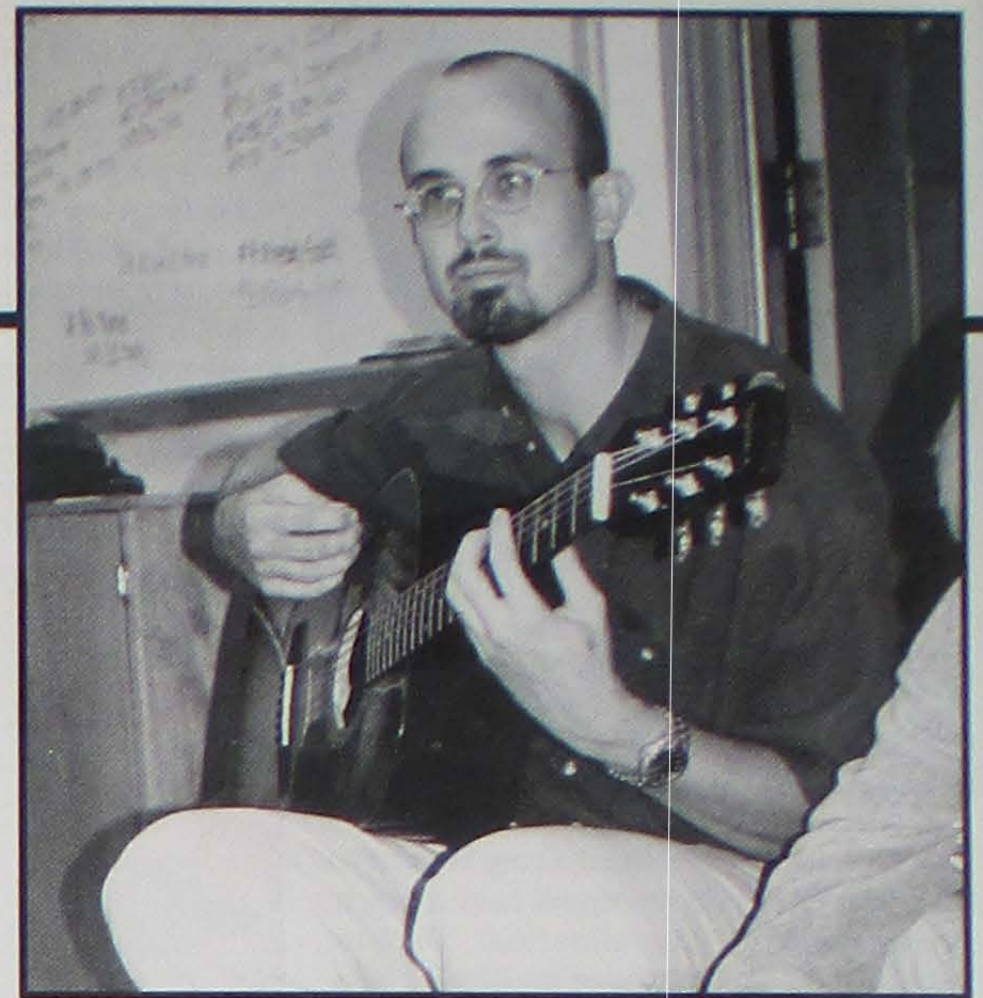
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May-June



• **CATCHPHRASE THIS!:** SPIRIT advisor **James Webb** slowly loses mental capacity during a deadline day. In order to protect his waning health (poor boy had the flu), he rolled up in a small, tight ball and refused to talk to anyone for the next four hours. (caption by S.G. and A.H.)

• **CATCHPHRASE GOES HERE:** After hearing multiple complaints concerning the workload, SPIRIT advisor **James Webb** decides to provide some soothing tunes for the stressed staffers. (caption by S.G. and A.H.)



• **SOMEDAY MY CATCHPHRASE WILL COME:** Senior **Amy Mekemson** shows a blatant disregard for academics as she skips out on school to go vote in the 2000 presidential election. Apparently she was "eighteen." Like that even matters, Amy, *duh!* (caption by S.G. and A.H.)

• **CATCHPHRASE:** Disgruntled SPIRIT staffers finally show their true colors as they try to murder one another during a staff photo session. At left, crazed editor **Amanda Burke** attempts to swallow advisor **James Webb**'s head as her counterpart, editor **Amanda Hopper**, happily eats photographer **Caitlin Clark**'s foot. As copy editor **Julie Prindle** tries to make a point, photographers **Stephanie Brunia** and **Rita Carter** (sitting at right) ... well, um ...



• **INSERT CATCHPHRASE:** Junior **Jennife Alexander**, known and loved as "Hen" to all SPIRIT staffers, finally comes face-to-face with the boy she has been stalking for the last eight months. Putting on a deceptively innocent smile Hen goes in for the kill. Aw, yeah, girl. (caption by S.G. and A.H.)

Are You Cool Enough to be on Staff?

Who is the SPIRIT advisor?

- A. Tonja Brooks
- B. James Webb
- C. Darin Johnson

What do you dream of at night?

- A. One day reaching a body fat percentage of 4
- B. You can't dream when you DON'T SLEEP!!!
- C. Being on yearbook

The word crop makes you think of ...

- A. Um ... a haircut??
- B. Pictures
- C. A farm field

Which of these is a Webb quote?

- A. "I have to go tan now!"
- B. "Make like a hockey player and get the puck outta here."
- C. "I'm just the advisor."



If you chose ...
Mostly A's: Your coolness factor is way down there with your body fat percentage ... too low for us. Sorry.

Mostly B's: "Rock on, girlfriend!"

Mostly C's: You ah da weakest link - goodbye.

Cool SPIRIT staffers senior **Julie Song** and sophomore **Allison Burke** strike a pose.

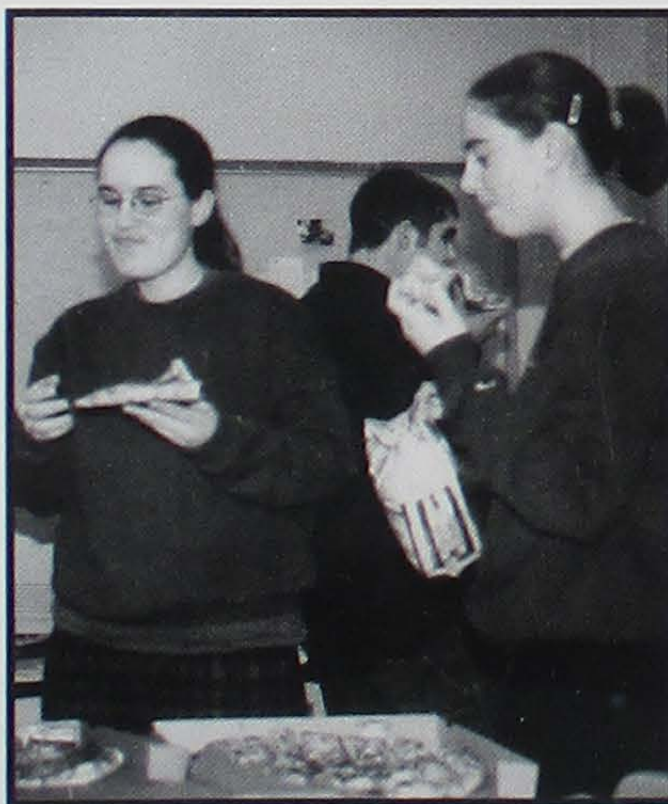
oh, baby

One-year-old **Ashley Webb**, sporting the same haircut as her father, English teacher **James Webb**, chews on her favorite stuffed frog. Ashley was a frequent visitor to room 202 to provide inspiration to the workaholic SPIRIT staffers. She did her job well, eventually being promoted to SPIRIT mascot. (caption by S.G. and A.H.)



• **DOOT, DOOT:** Senior **Ann Benson** does her best cop impression (she's eating a doughnut, guys). As the SPIRIT staff's copy editor (along with senior **Julie Prindle**), Benson was given the difficult task of editing many of the yearbook's pages and - on occasion - was forced to re-write unacceptable captions, sometimes making them even worse than before. Though a brilliant writer, Benson had a tendency to make up large words and attribute them to random people. "Conglomeration" was a favorite. Another staple of her writing style was the ever-present sound effect, such as "doot, doot," which she claims comes from *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: The Movie*. By the end of the year, Benson was prohibited from writing at all. (caption by S.G. and A.H.)

DOESN'T THIS NEED A CATCHPHRASE?: Senior *Web* staffers, along with editor-in-chief **Mara Wendel** and campus co-editor **Emily Polich**, stuff their faces during class. "Sometimes I had to close my door because they were being so rowdy," English teacher **Marilyn Haynes** said. Haynes' room was inconveniently situated directly across the hall from the *Web* room. "My students were always really curious about what was going on in there." So, unfortunately, was the Ames Police Department. After multiple call-ins, Officer **Bob Selby** eventually had to barge in and confiscate **Larry**, the big yellow party bird rumored to belong to **Wendel**. **Larry** was working a prettycorner when she found him at a very low point in his life. **Wendel** rescued him en route to a summer journalism camp. "Baww," **Larry** said. We feel for you, man. (J.S., S.G. and A.H. had nothing to do with this)



"SPIRIT was organized chaos all the way."
- seniors **Ann Benson** and **Julie Prindle**

"The doughnuts were awesome, dude."
- senior **Greg Payne**

"I hope you're happy you all have your book now--you ruined my life."
- senior **Amanda Burke**

"Whatever."
- senior **Amy Mekemson**

"Oh, @#\$%."
- senior **Nick Meyer**

"I had so much fun, it was the awesomest."
- senior **Cherita Carter**

"I'm sorry Mrs. Jackson."
- senior **Amanda Hopper**

"Whooh!"
- senior **Julie Song**

DISCLAIMER!!
Everything on this page is a lie. We apologize to the family and friends of everyone mentioned here. Except **Larry** - he's on our side.

Yearbook



It's not always easy to be living in this
world of pain
You're gonna be crashing into stone walls
again and again
Though you feel your heart break, you're
only human
You're gonna have to deal with heartache

We're only human
We're supposed to make mistakes
But I survived all those long lonely days
When it seemed I did not have a friend
'Cause all I needed was a little faith
So I could catch my breath and face the
world again

Don't forget your second wind
Sooner or later you'll feel that
momentum kick in

~ Anonymous

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Class
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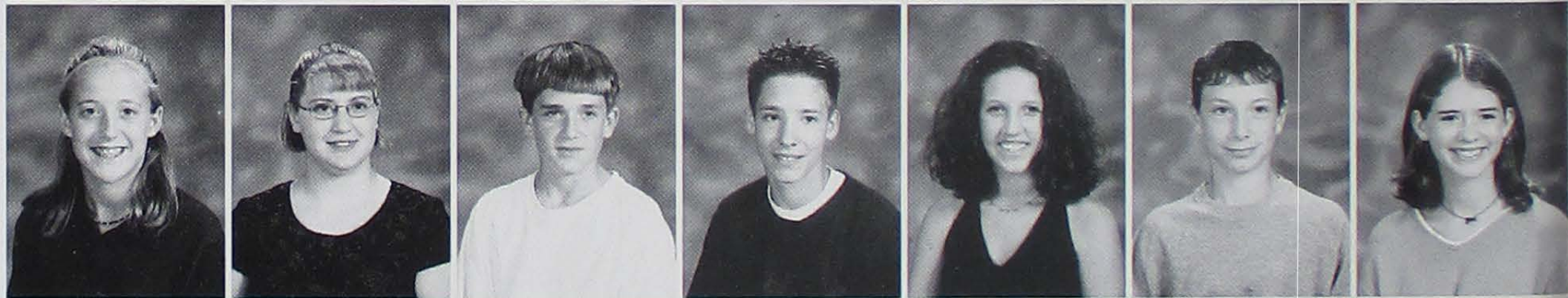
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Ronna Belz
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Kelli Berg
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Michele Black
Cortney Boelman
Sarah Bohn
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Vitali Brand
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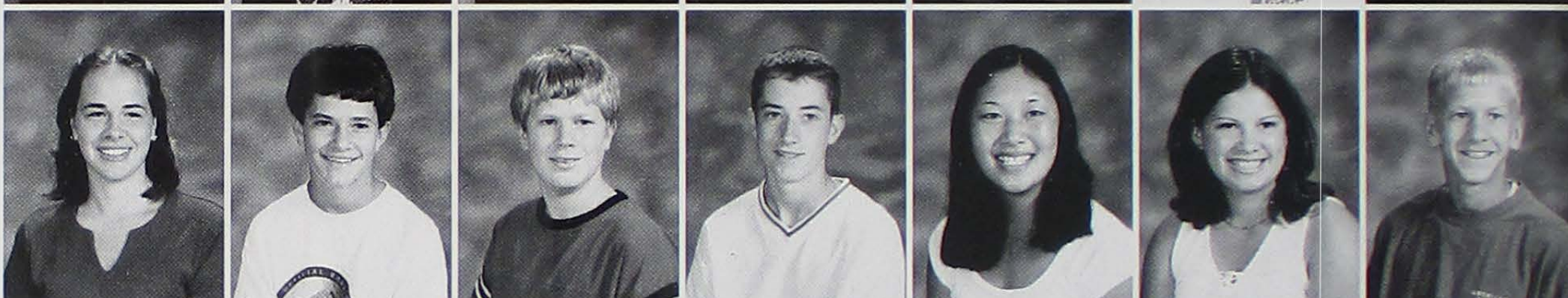
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David Gustafson
Daniel Hallihan
Tess Hannapel
Sarah Hansen
Benjamin Hanson



Pet Peeves

The Little Things That Drive You Completely Insane

"Not letting kids out of class when there's nothing to do anyway."
-Vinayak Vittal

"I do not like to do homework."
-Steve Volcko

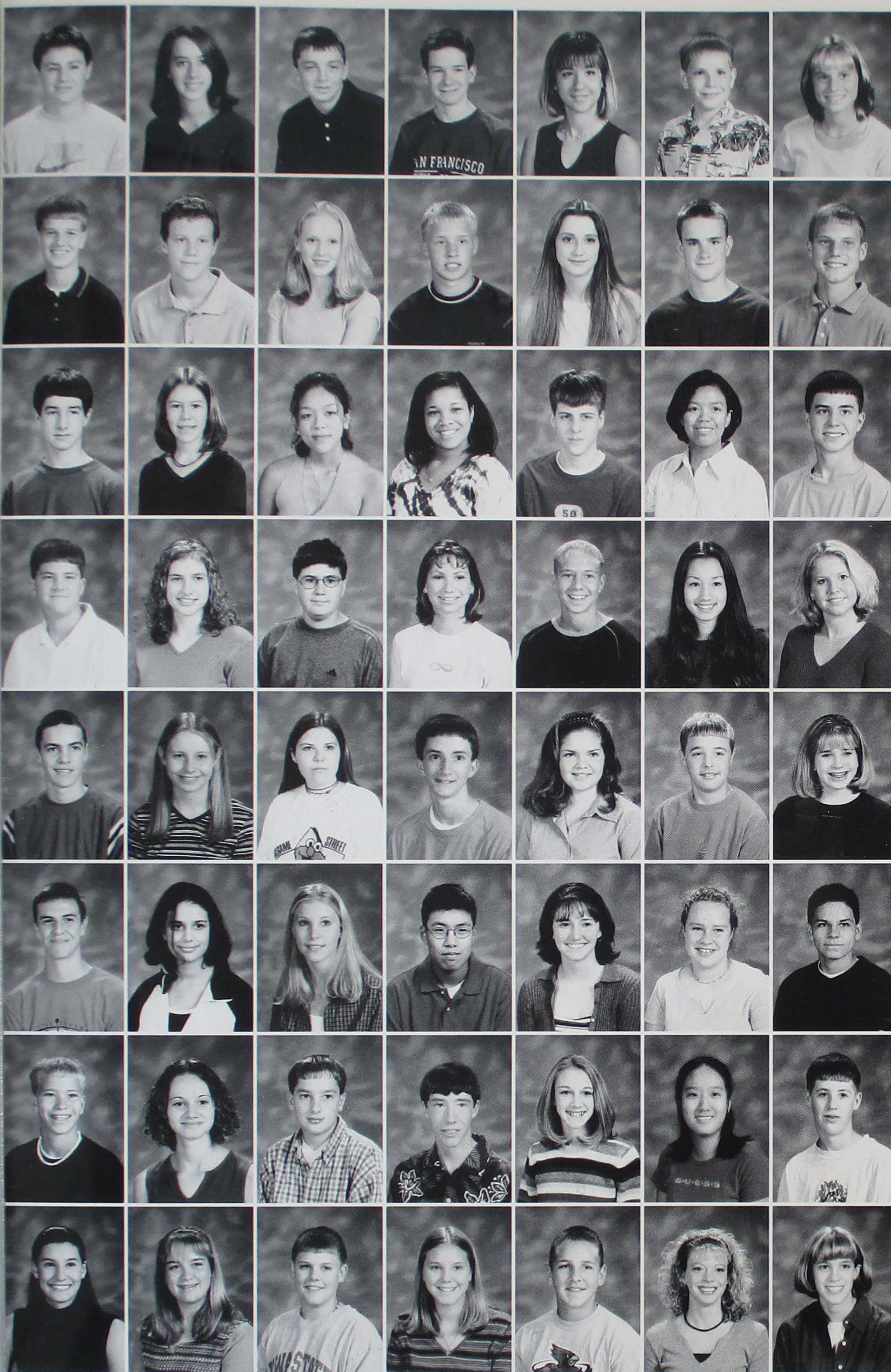
"People that gossip about me behind my back."
-Amanda Thomas

"Teachers that can't teach."
-Ashleigh Ward

"People that don't wash their hands after going to the bathroom."
-Natasha Udpa

"Everybody."
-Elizabeth Vetter

"My pet peeve is all of those dumb responsibility points that I always lose in class, for the dumbest reasons. It just sucks that we all have to continue a system that kids years ago started."
-Ben Ward



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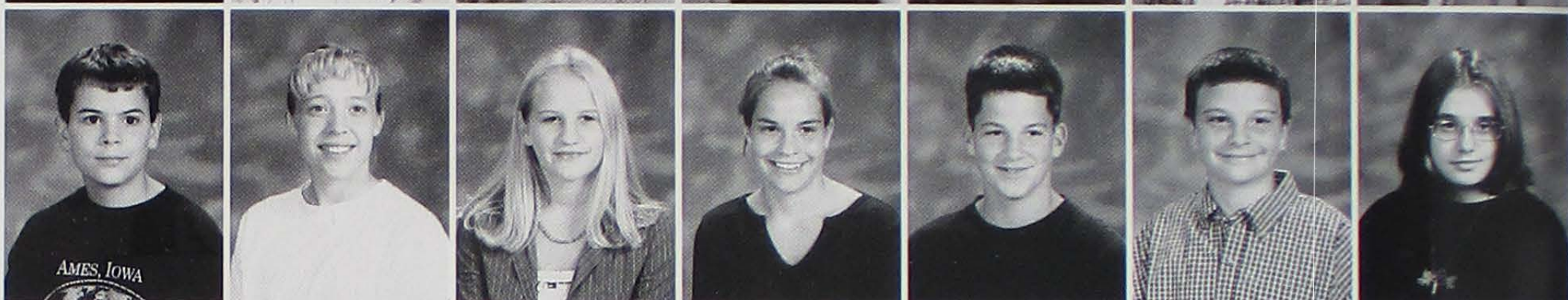
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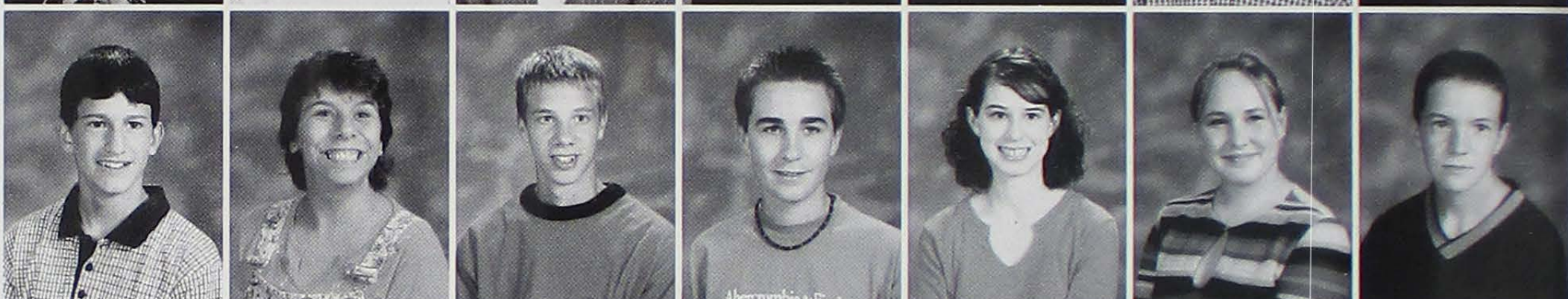
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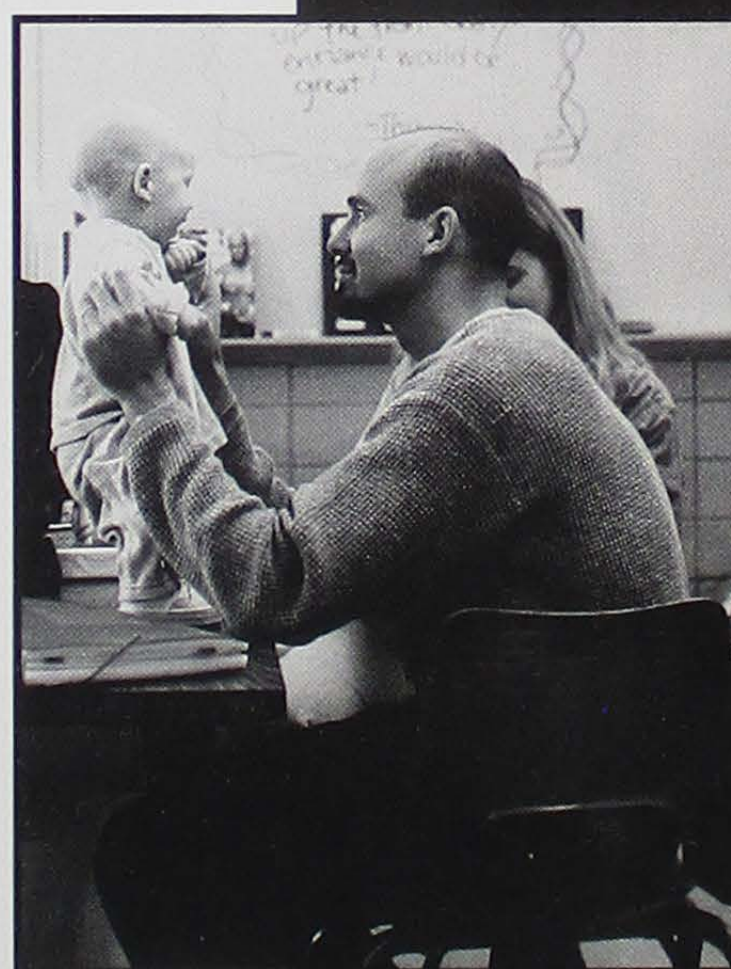
Who: James Webb

What: Freshman Speech, Advanced Composition teacher, SPIRIT advisor

When: Taught one year in a Southern Illinois school district, and two years at Des Moines Christian before coming to Ames in August of 2000

Where: Raised in Sacramento, California, attended colleges in Illinois and Kansas, where he played bass for Mustard Seed. Claims "I'm from Colo."

Notable Quotes: "You just wanna be hip like me." ... "This is the height of my career; I'm reading Seventeen magazine and *enjoying* it!" ... "I'm a big beef boy!"



Webb

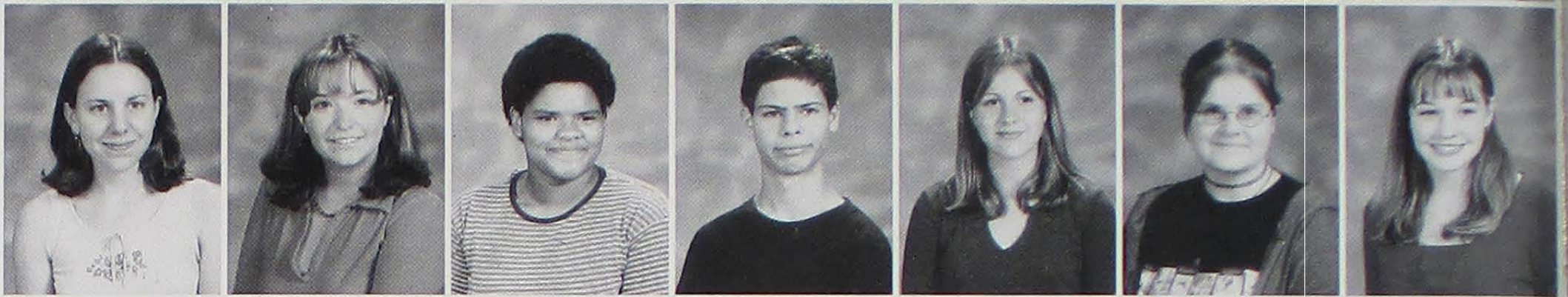
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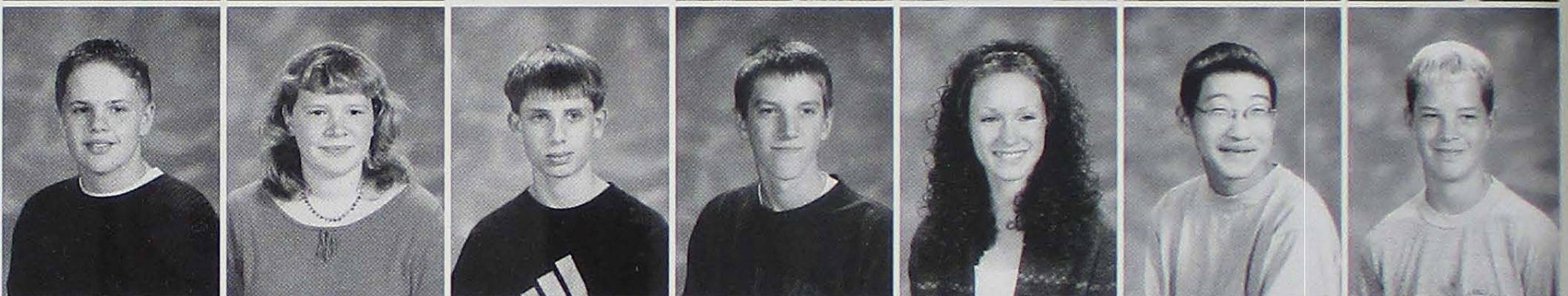
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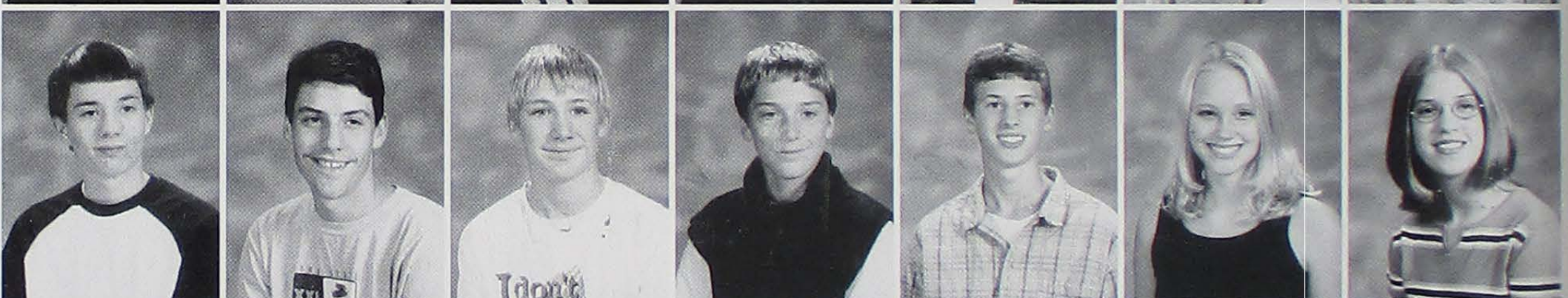
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What Is The Grossest Thing You've Ever Eaten?

Gross Out

"My sister and my friend dared me to eat mud and a raw egg. It was the grossest thing I have ever eaten. Needless to say, I threw up."
-Jessica Maher-Lewis

"Escargo (snails)!
YUCK!"
-Rachel Kapke

"Marshmallow puff stuff with peanut butter and bread. GROSS!"
-Kara Drzycimski

"I ate a yellow paint ball because I thought it was a gumball! It didn't taste all that bad."

-Seth Levings

"Greg Musgrove's mom's food."
-Trevor Burge

"Beets because they are juicy and squishy and GROSS!"
-Jessica Fickbohm

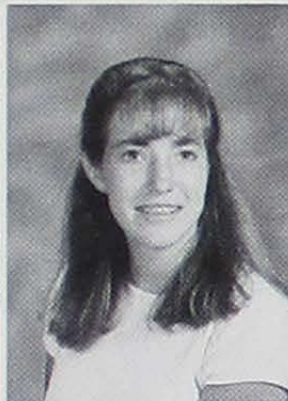
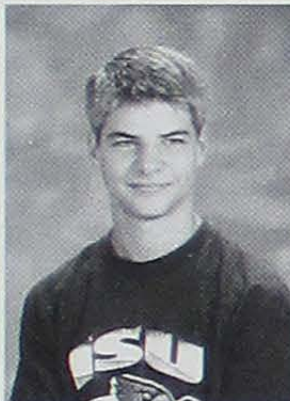
"I used to eat pickle and catsup sandwiches."
-Rachel Koch

"The freshman football team found some sweet tarts on the track and dared me to eat them. When I picked them up they were wet and sticky with pieces of dust and dirt on them. It tasted so gross and nasty, I can't believe I actually ate them."

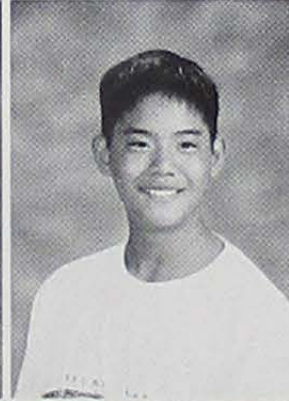
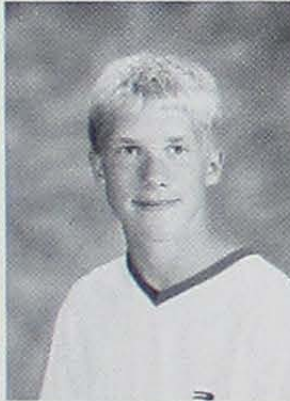
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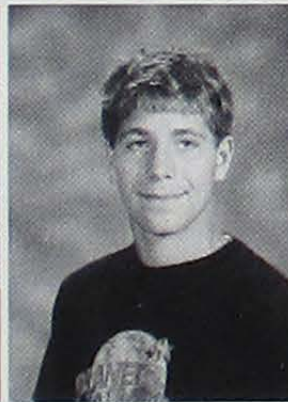
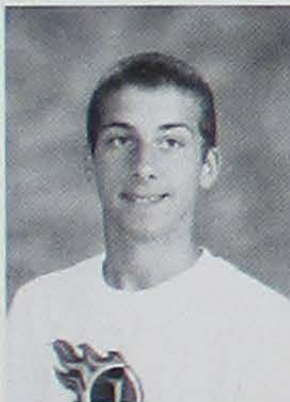
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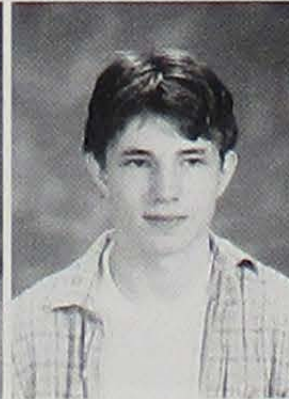
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Jared Savage
Donald Schermerhorn
Cherith Tyler
Mario Valadez-Rosales
Yan-Qiu Zhang

not pictured

Top Ten Signs You're A Freshman

10. The green hallway? Wha ...?

9. *You don't yet have a car to illegally park in the lot, sophomore-style.*

8. You're still waitin' on that last growth spurt.

7. (If you're female) You and your friends communicate in high-pitched squeals only dogs and Mariah Carey fans can hear.

6. (If you're male) You still think it's cool to strut around in your rockin' Tommy Hilfiger threads, with your pants around your knees - intentionally.

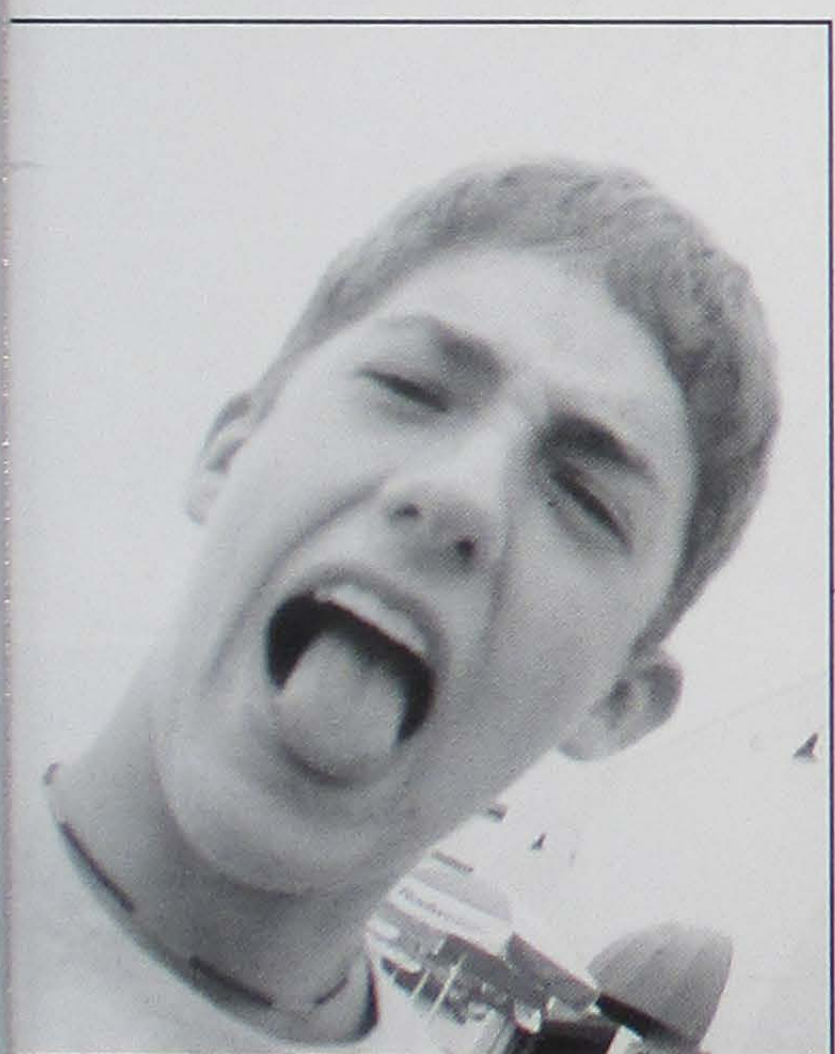
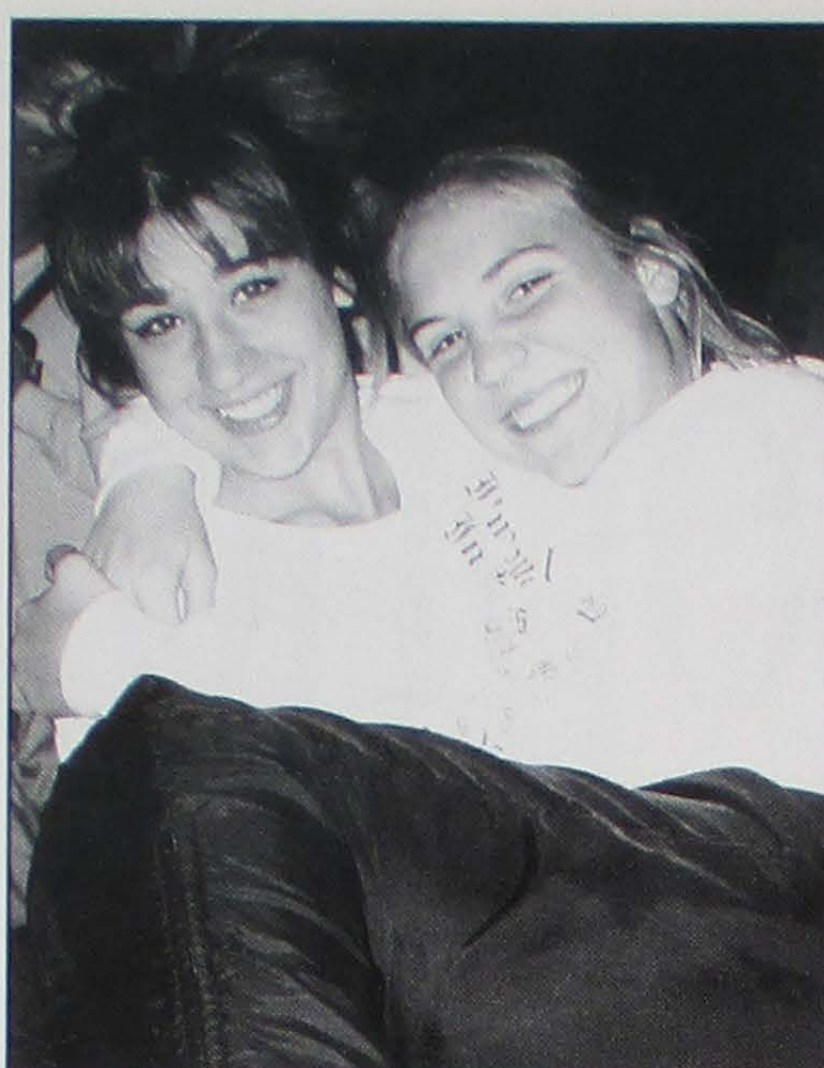
5. Earth Science is, like, so a waste of time.

4. *Waiting outside to bum rides off unsuspecting seniors.*

3. *Old Man and the Sea (translation: naptime).*

2. Lunch in the cafeteria. Please be seated.

1. Two words: study hall.

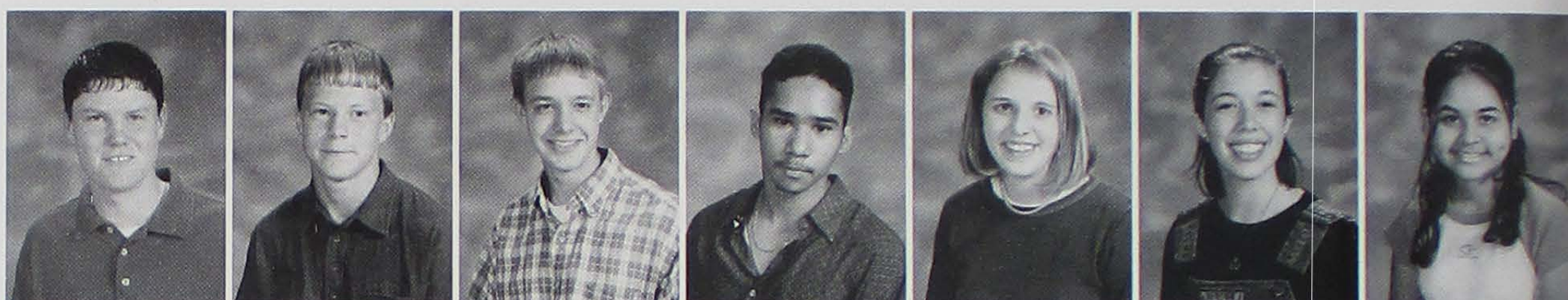


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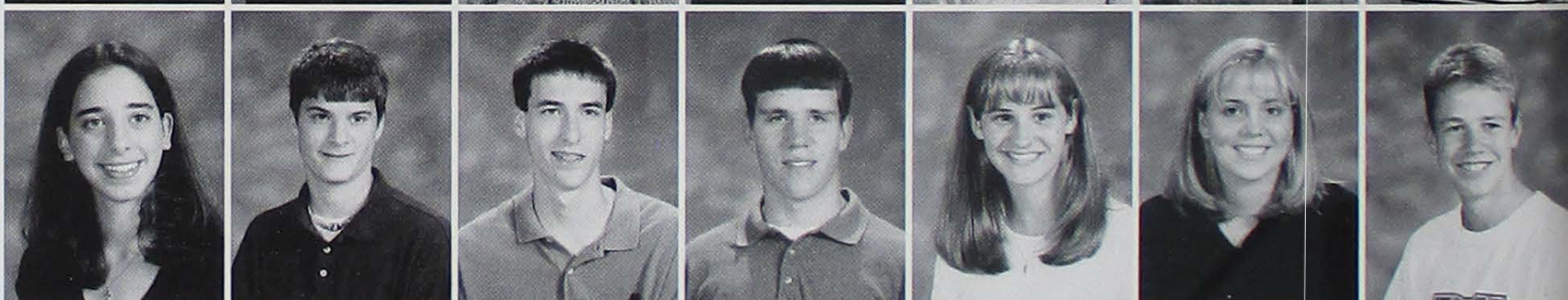
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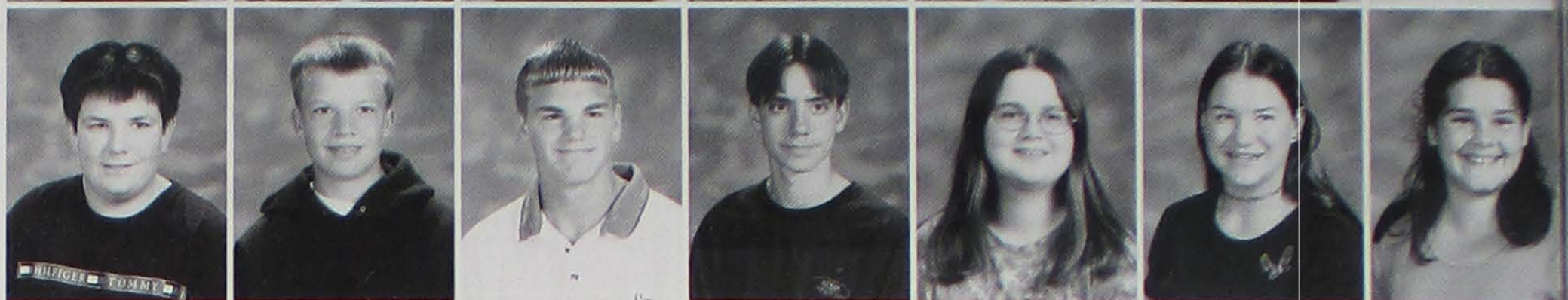
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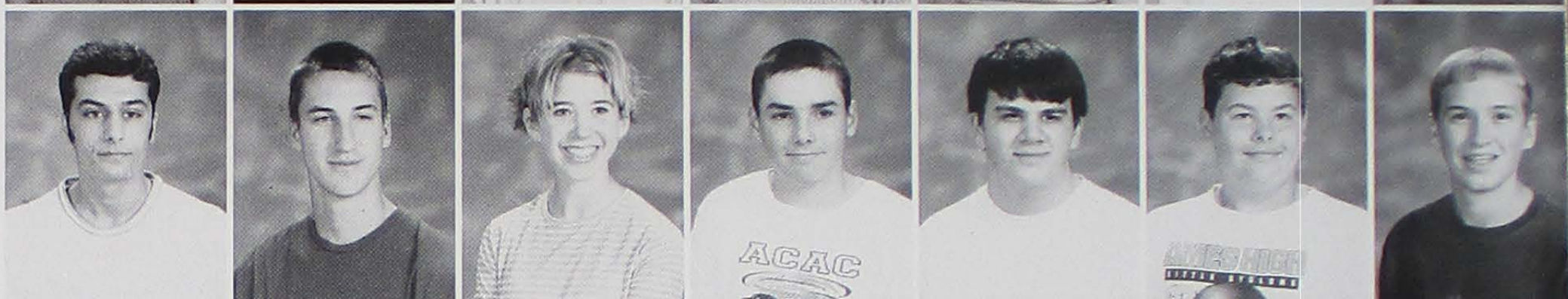
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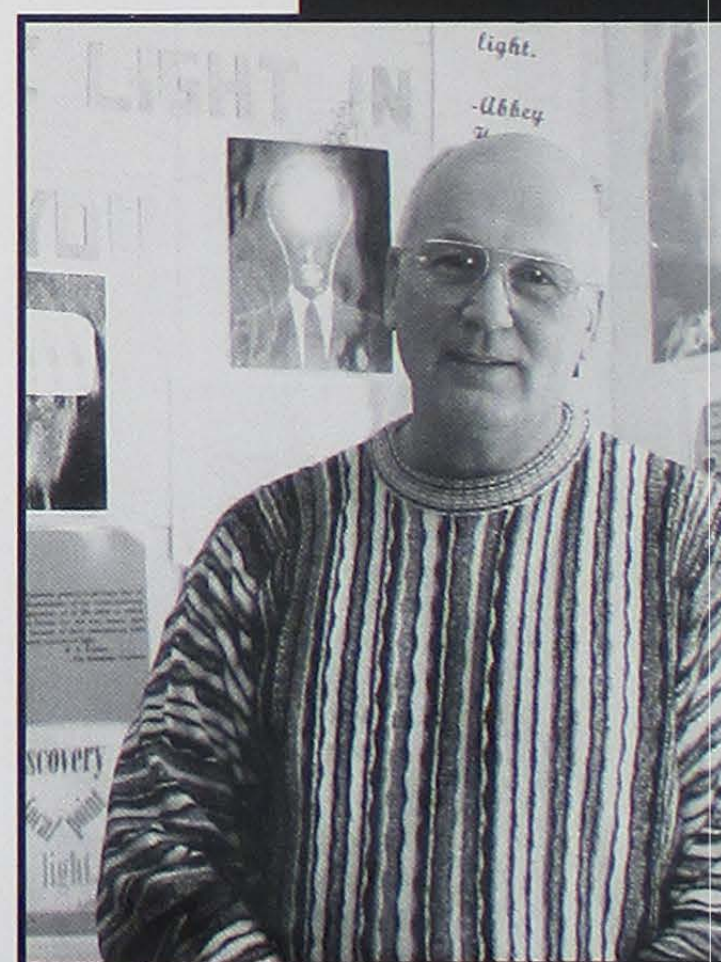
Who: John Forrsman

What: Sophomore English teacher

When: Since 1963

Where: Room 211. Born and raised in Centerville, Iowa, attended University of Iowa. Heavily influenced by high school English teacher Haulda Stomberg and father's appreciation for his ambition to learn. Known school-wide for his Golden Ideas. Says, "Ames High is a paradise for golden discovery."

Notable Quotes: "Discover!" ... "Golden clues are what lead us along the path to golden ideas." ... "Think outside the box. Way, way outside the box."



Forrsman



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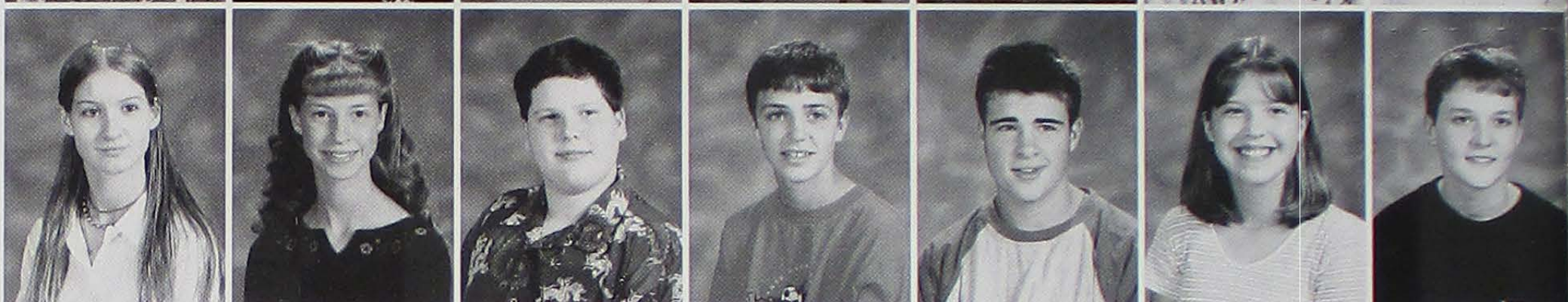
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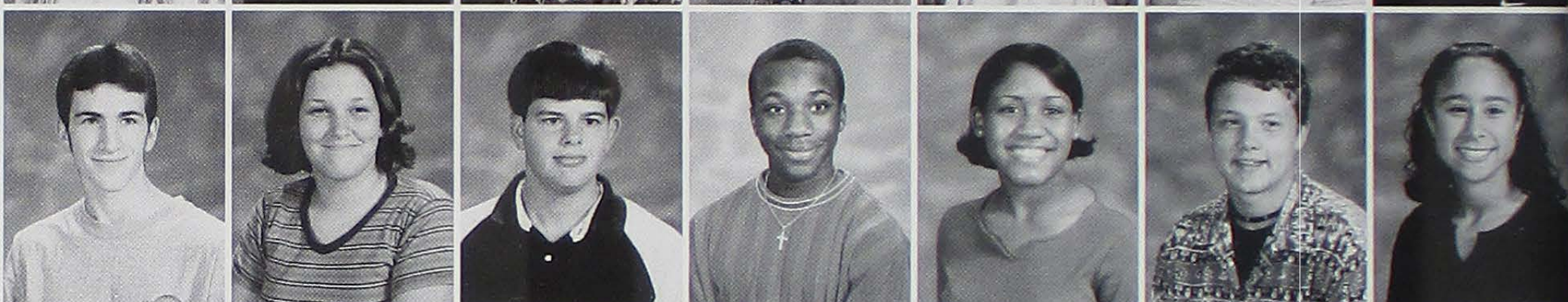
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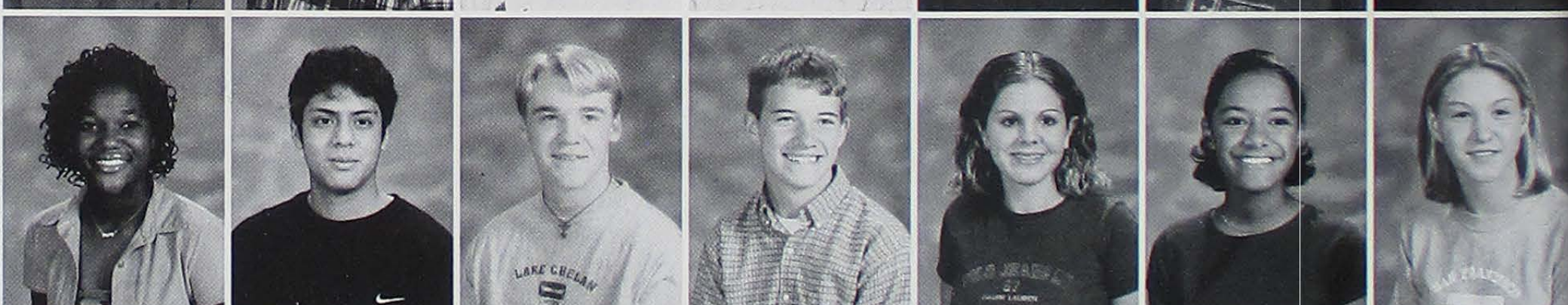
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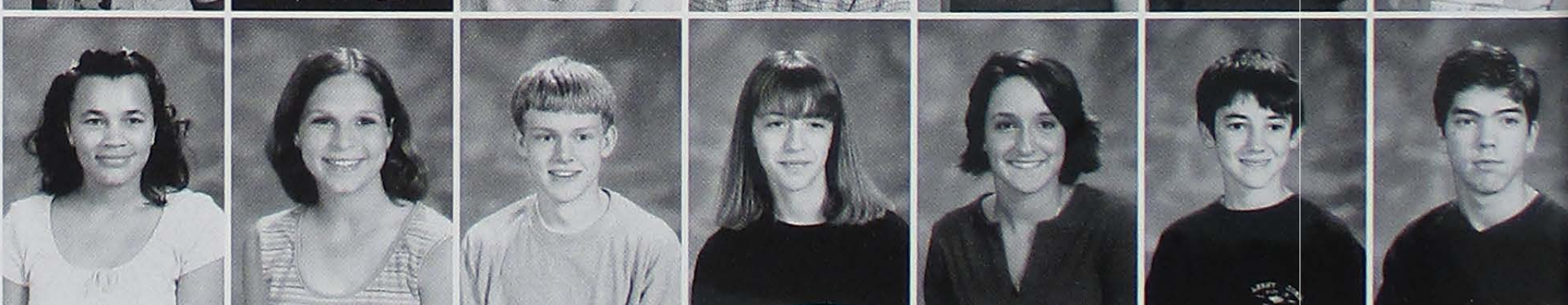
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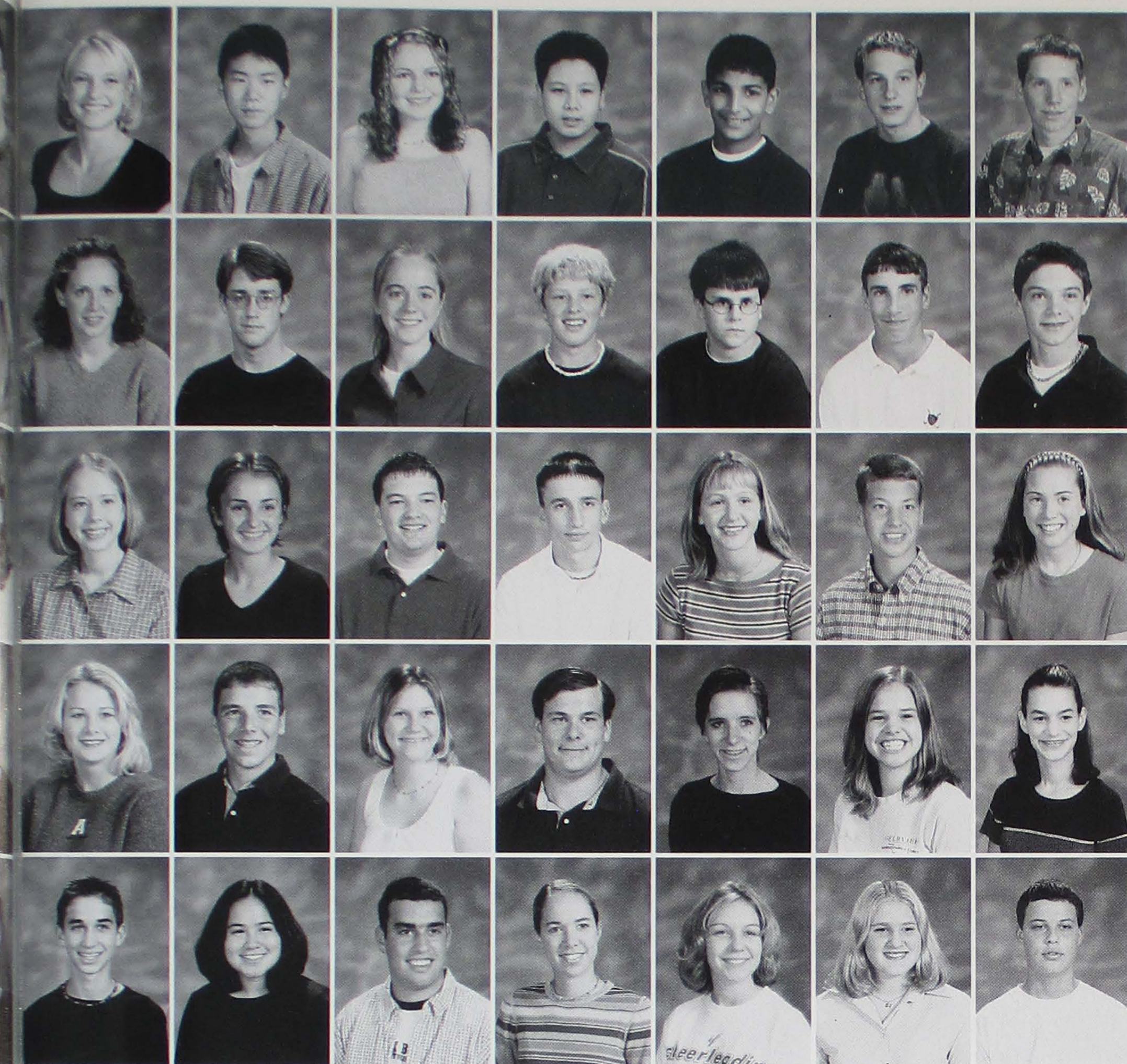


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What Is The Grossest Thing You've Ever Eaten?

"My sister and my friend dared me to eat mud and a raw egg. It was the grossest thing I have ever eaten. Needless to say I threw up."
-Jessica Maher-Lewis

"Escargo (snails)! YUCK!"
-Rachel Kapke

"Marshmallow puff stuff with peanut butter and bread. GROSS!"
-Kara Drzycimski

"I ate a yellow paint ball because I thought it was a gumball! It didn't taste all that bad."
-Seth Levings

"I used to eat pickle and catsup sandwich's."
-Rachel Koch

"Greg Musgrove's mom's food."
-Trevor Burge

"Beets because they are juicy and squishy and GROSS!"
-Jessica Fickbohm

"The freshman football team found some sweet tarts on the track and dared me to eat them. When I picked them up they were wet and sticky with pieces of dust and dirt on them. It tasted so gross and nasty, I can't believe I actually ate them."
-Brent Swanson

Gross Out

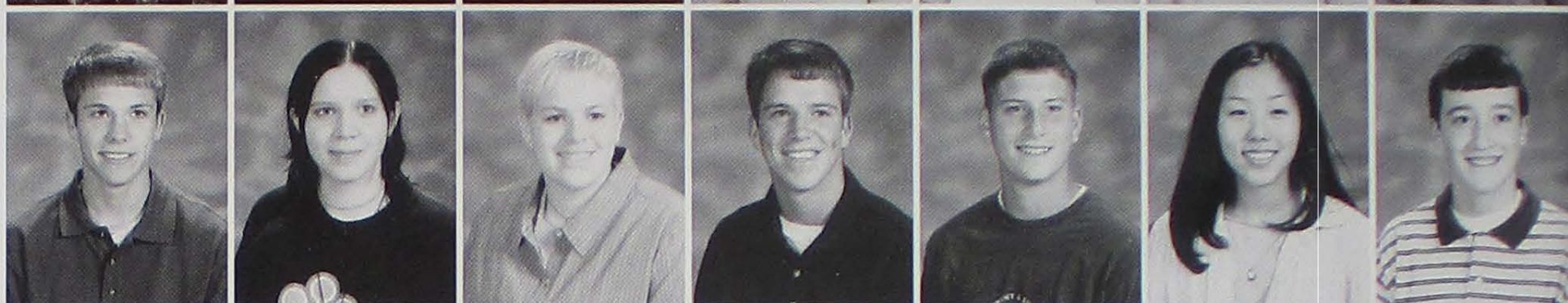
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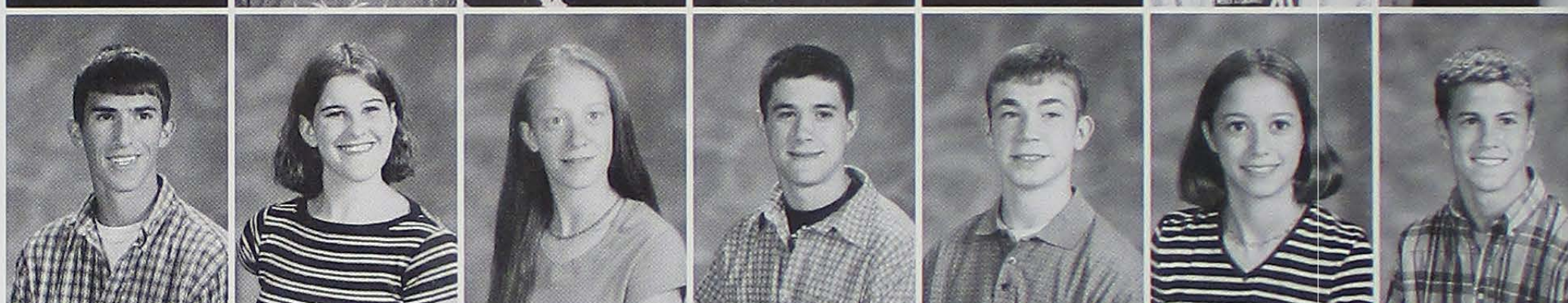
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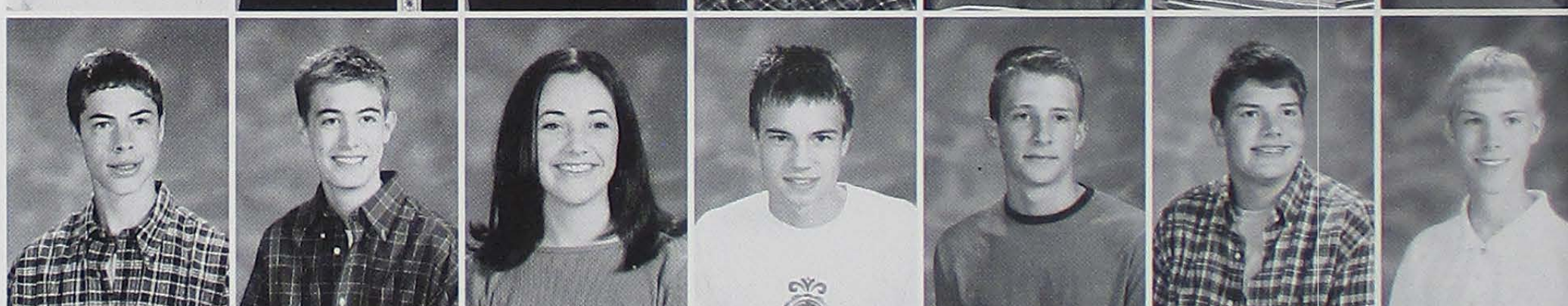
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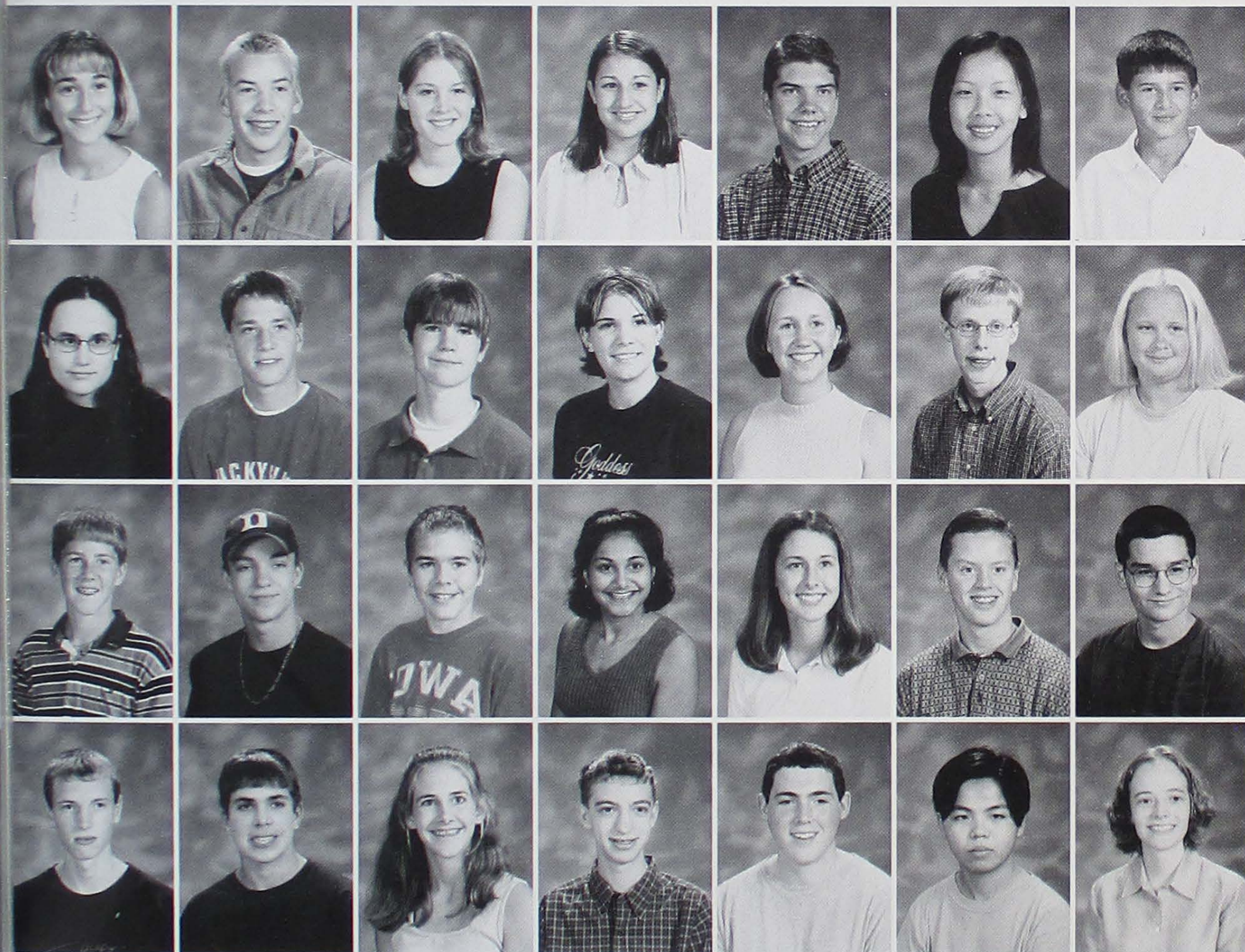


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Top Ten Signs You're A Sophomore

10. You're *way* too old for studyhall. Yet, you still have to go.
9. You survived Driver's Ed. Thankfully, so did the car.
8. You got a license. You got a car. You got no parking permit.
7. You're starting to think about your future. You can do anything, if you want it bad enough. Except park in the lot.
6. You suffer from Middle Child Syndrome. You're too old to be an underclassman, but too young to be an upperclassman. Either way, you still can't park in the lot.
5. Bevo knows where you live.
4. It's time to get GOLDEN!
3. Getting towed is no fun.
2. Algebra II. Practice Equation: $1 \text{ car} + (\text{parking permit})(0) = ?$



Anne Vleck
Jacob Wagner
Rachel Wakefield
Cristina Wall
Daniel Wandling
Jing Wang
Aaron Warren

Alexander Watts
Matthew Weber
David Weidner
Stephanie Wells-Gray
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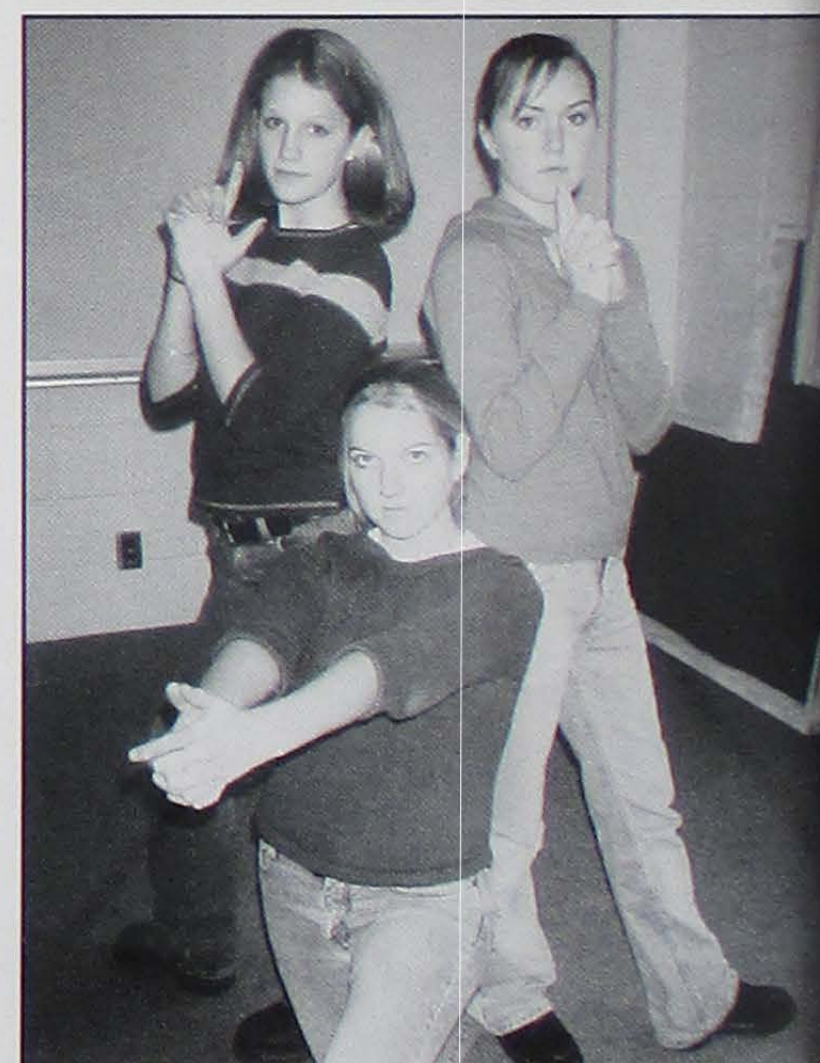
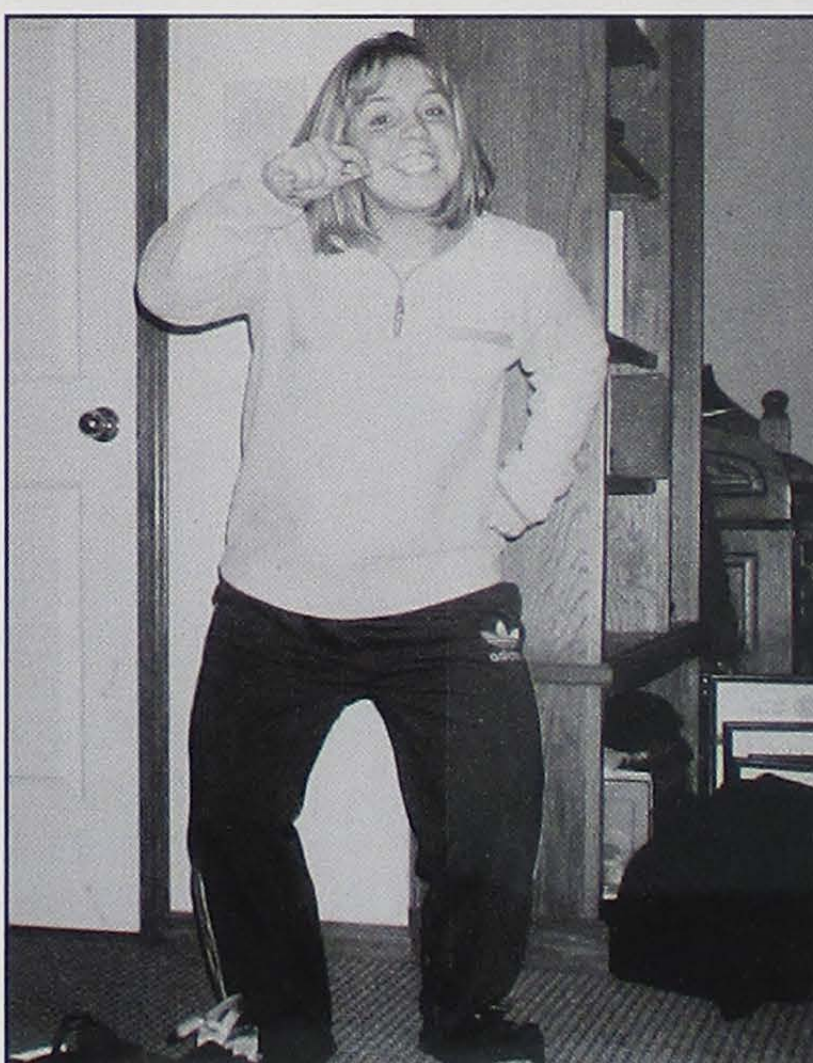
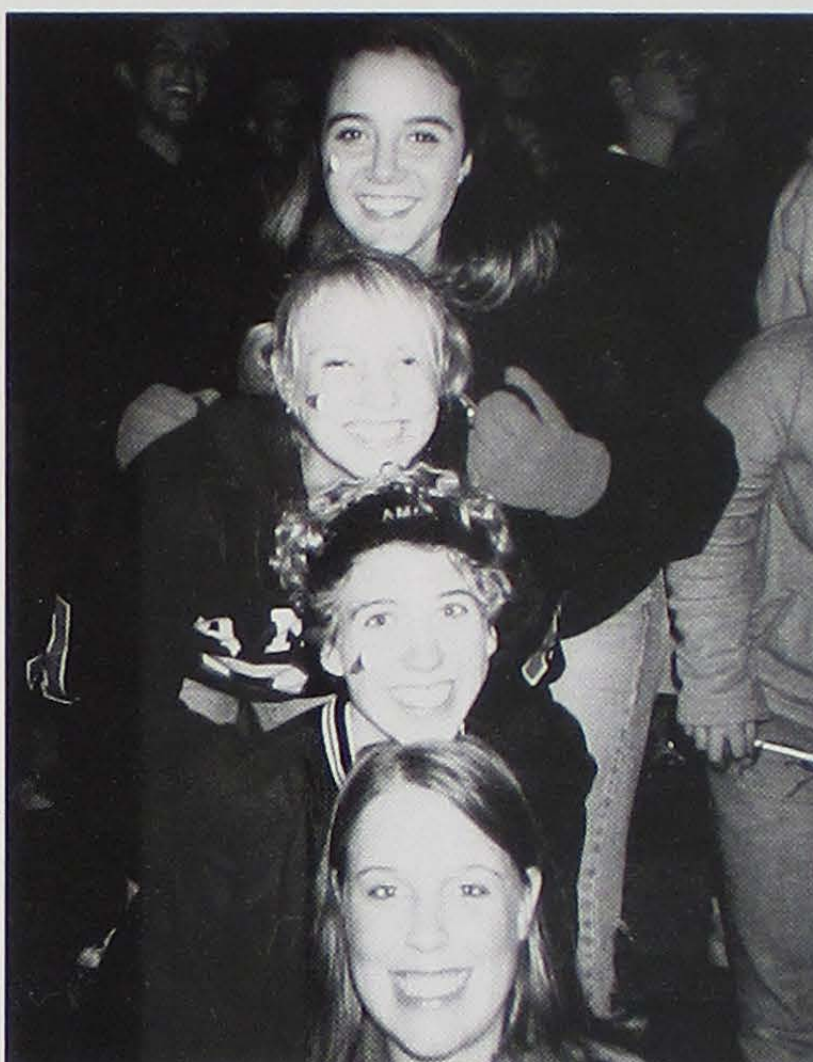
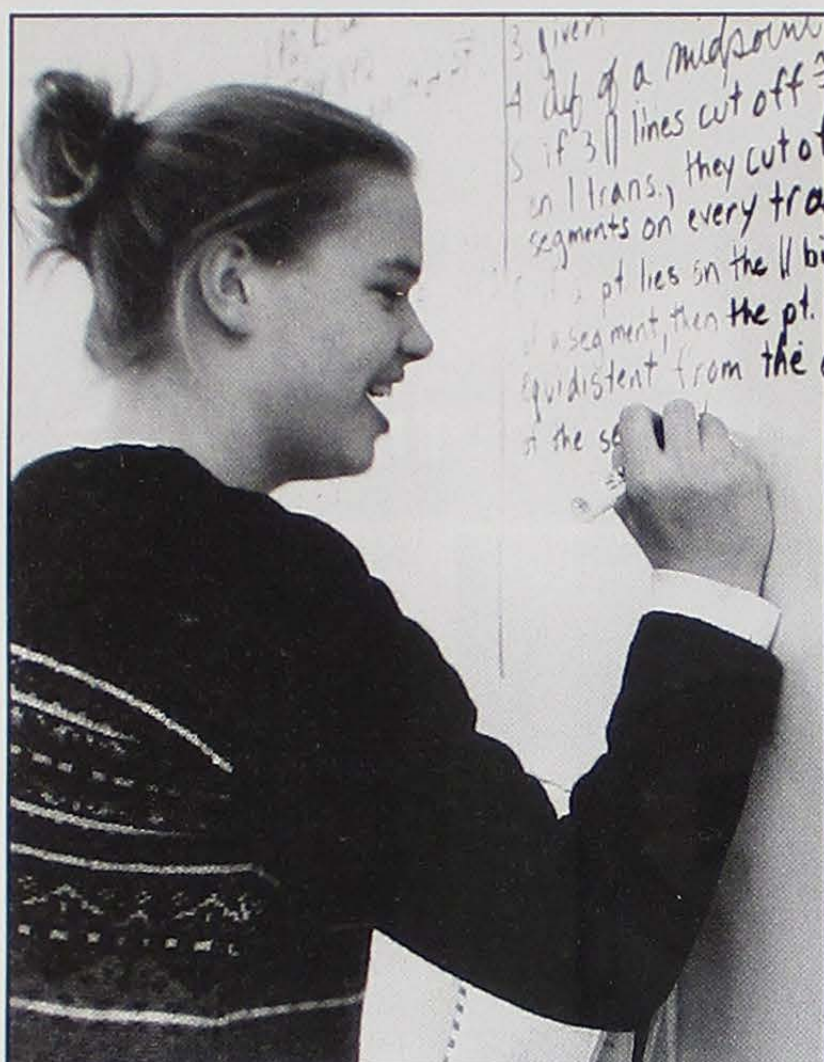
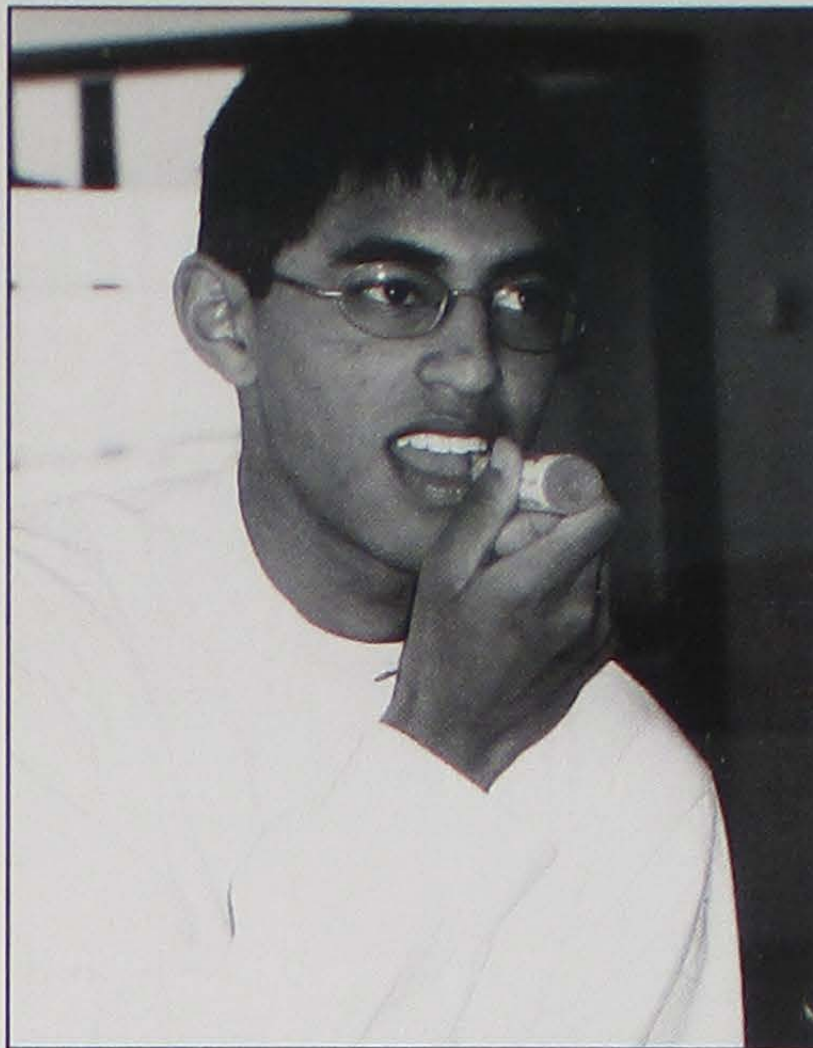
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Sarah Stole
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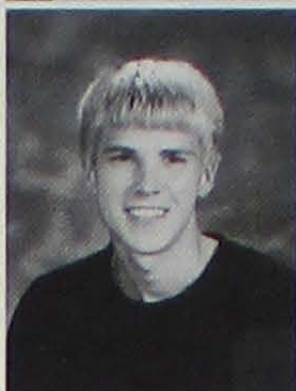
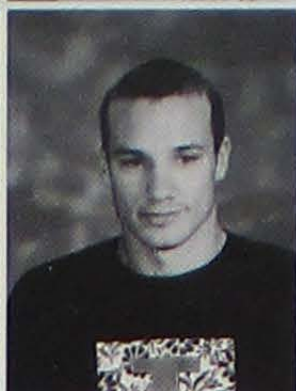
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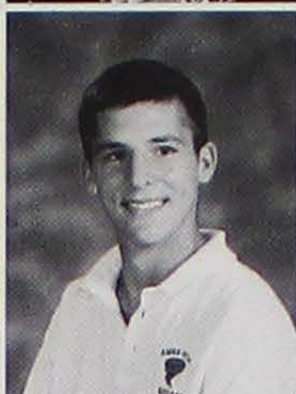
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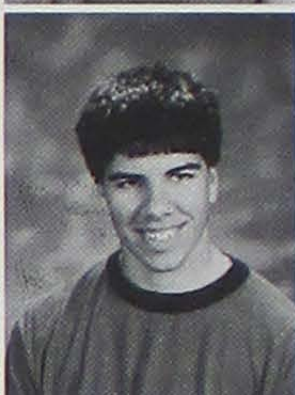
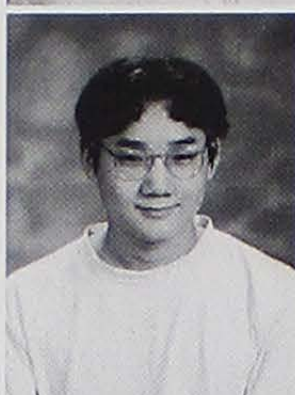
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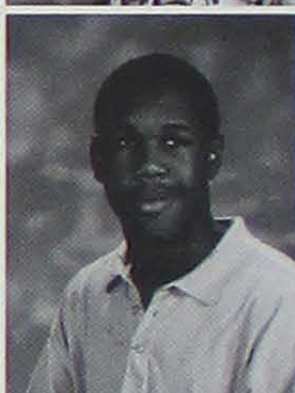
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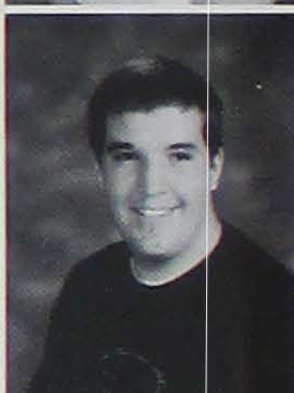
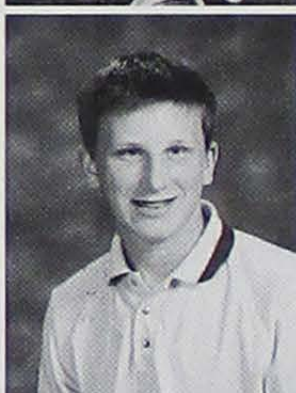
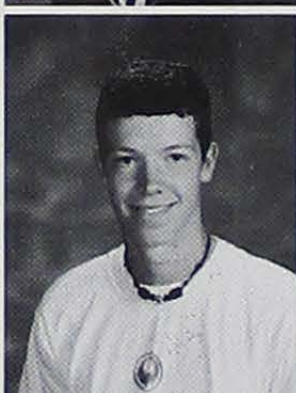
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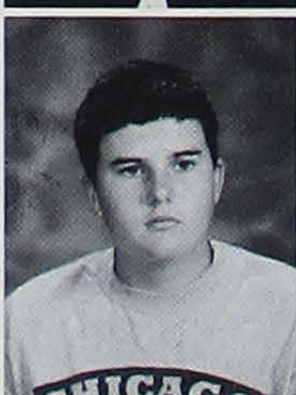
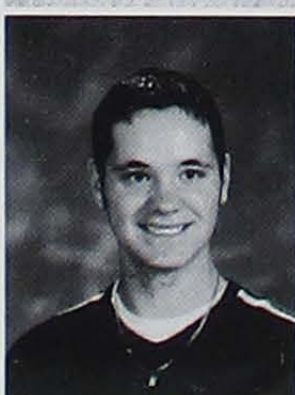
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We All Have 'Em, How Did You Get Yours?

"When I was younger I lived in Maine out in the country. What I thought was a big house cat came up to me and I tried to pet it. It turned out to be a bobcat that sunk his teeth into my leg. I now have its teeth marks just above my right ankle."

-Julia Slocum

"Scars from football cleats, surgery, bite marks, railroad tie to the head, burns from singeing my arm hair ..."

-Gene Carcia

"I was swinging in my backyard and I tried to backflip off the swing, but ended up landing on my face. I had a big scrape underneath my nose and when it scabbed over, it looked like a giant booger."

-Joe Herriges

"Once J.C. Morris and I were fighting with ten foot long logs in my backyard. After we sliced each other open multiple times, he dropped the log on my head."

-Devin Walker

"I ran into a sharp metal fence and had to slowly pull it out out of my thigh."

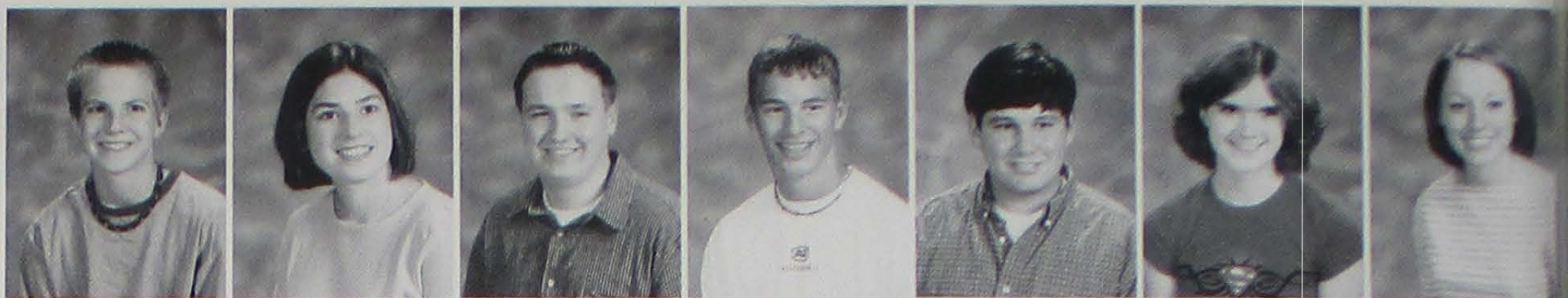
-Kristene Grewell

"I was racing with my brother around Fellows and we came from opposite directions around a corner and collided. His teeth connected with my skull, sending me to the emergency rom and him to the dentist."

-Kelly Houge

Scar Stories

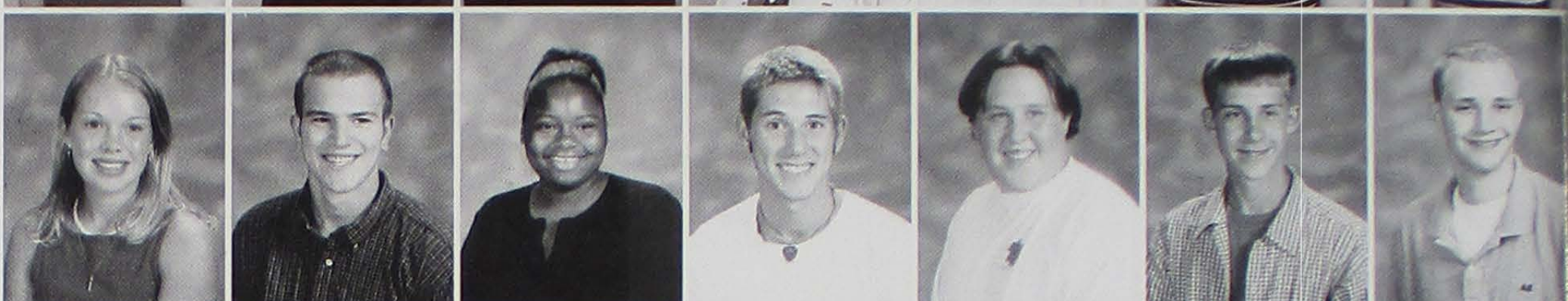
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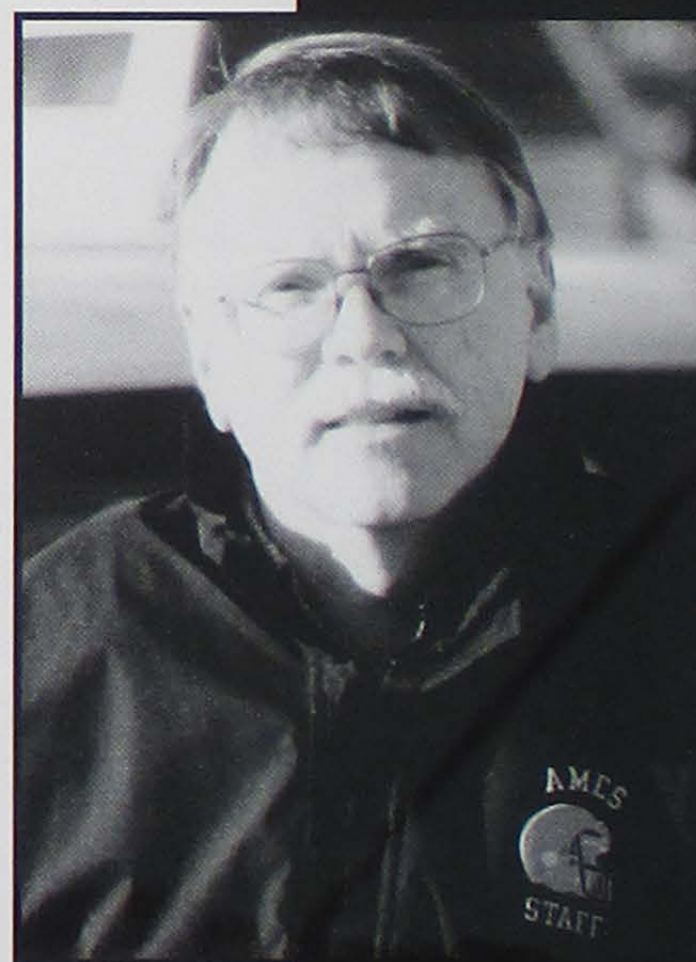
Who: Kirk Daddow

What: A.P. Western Civilization

When: Teacher as of 1978 (22 years)

Where: Went to school in California with actress Joan Crawford's adopted daughter, Christina, the author of *Mommy Dearest* (which later became a film)

Notable Quotes: "Guess what? You don't have an assignment tonight! You have five." ... "You have forever to answer this question, just get it right sometime in the next thirty seconds." ... "This is good. This is true." ... "First, and most importantly, the student has to believe that the subject is interesting and valuable, It is my job to convince them that this is true."



Daddow



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Shut Eye

In Which Classes Do You Catch A Catnap?

"Physics when it's double period and it's nothing but equation after equation."

-Shanda Gleason

"A.P. Civ.-Not because I want to, but because the room is comfortably warm and my desk is right underneath a broken light and next to a filing cabinet perfect for leaning on."

-Jennifer Alexander

"Honors American Literature because of those tough assignments that the lovely and talented Knol-Digby assigns us."

-Nima Golchin

"In math class, because Mr Jurgenson's voice is so lulling."

-Sherry Cheuk

"Orchestra and band because you really can experience the music in your dreams!"

-Jen Lowry

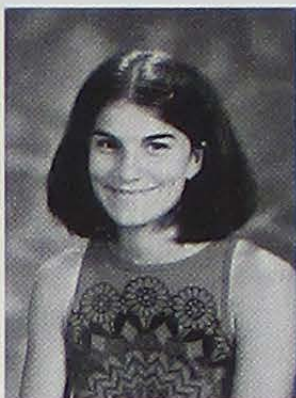
"English 9, Earth Science, World Studies, Algebra, Geometry, Biology, U.S. History, Spanish 1, Spanish 2, Spanish 3, American Lit., Sociology, Choir, English 10, Physics (at least once a week), and Band."

-Mandi Crawford

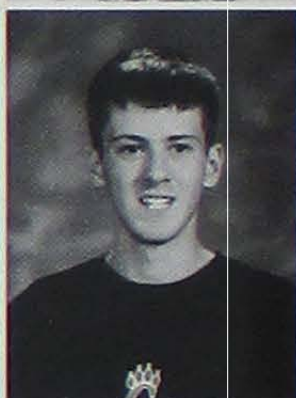
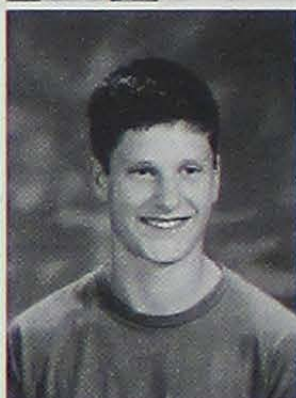
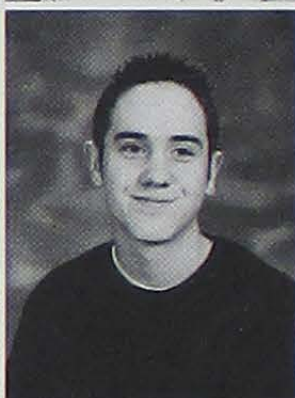
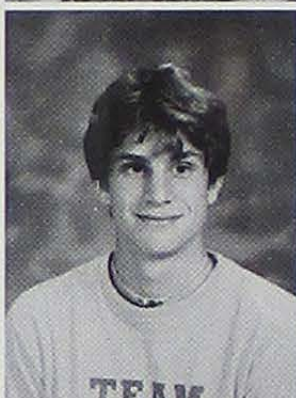
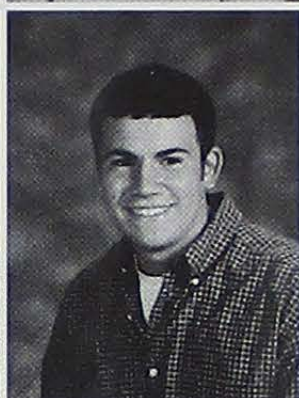
"American Literature because Mr. Jerdee speaks in monotone and won't stop talking about his Norwegian heritage."

-Andy Jordan

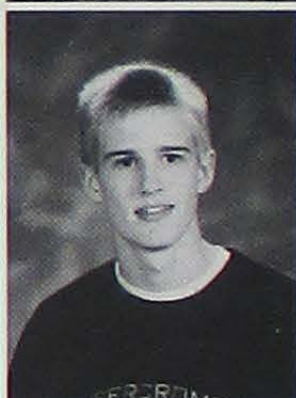
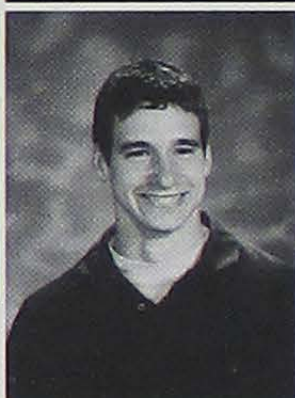
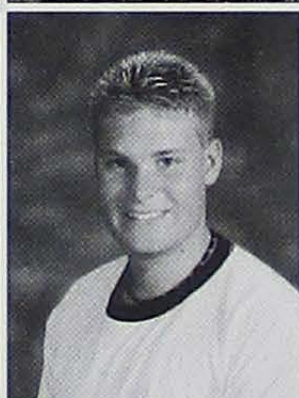
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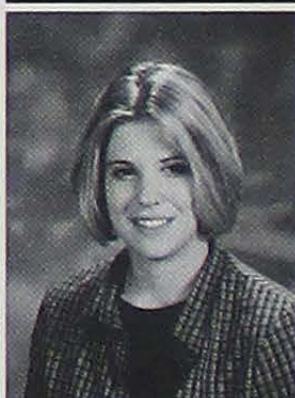
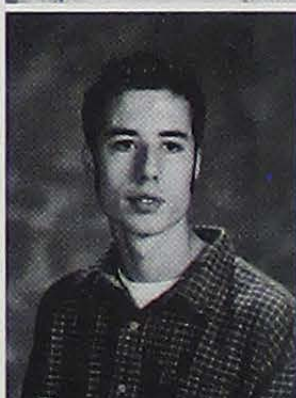
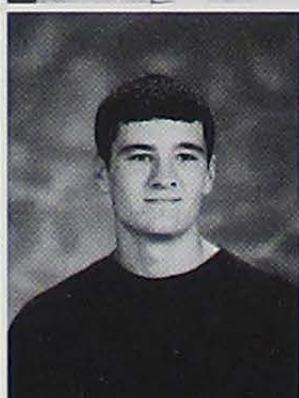
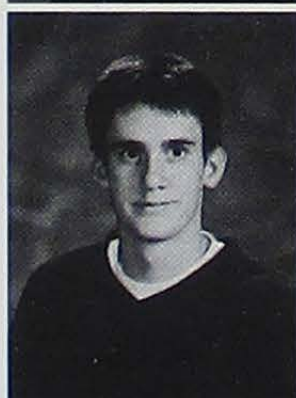
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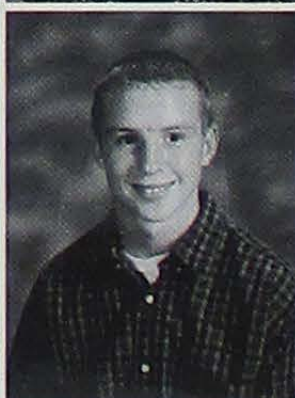
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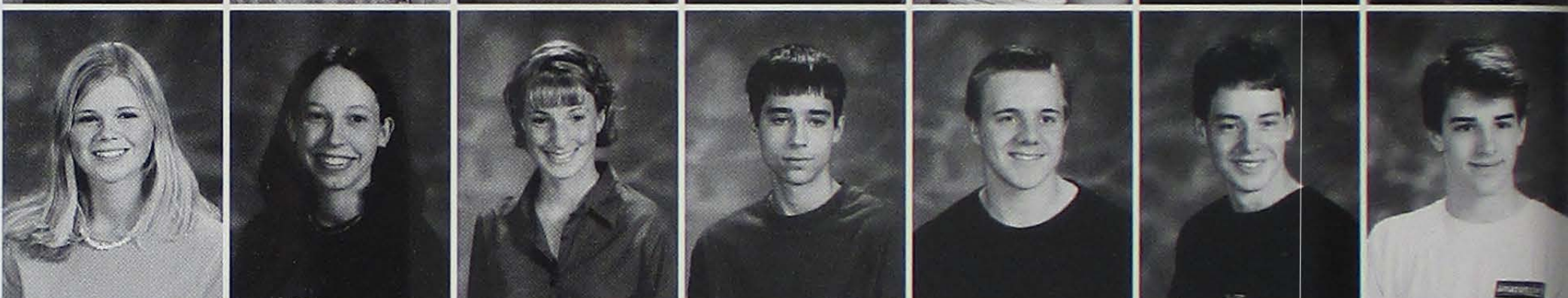
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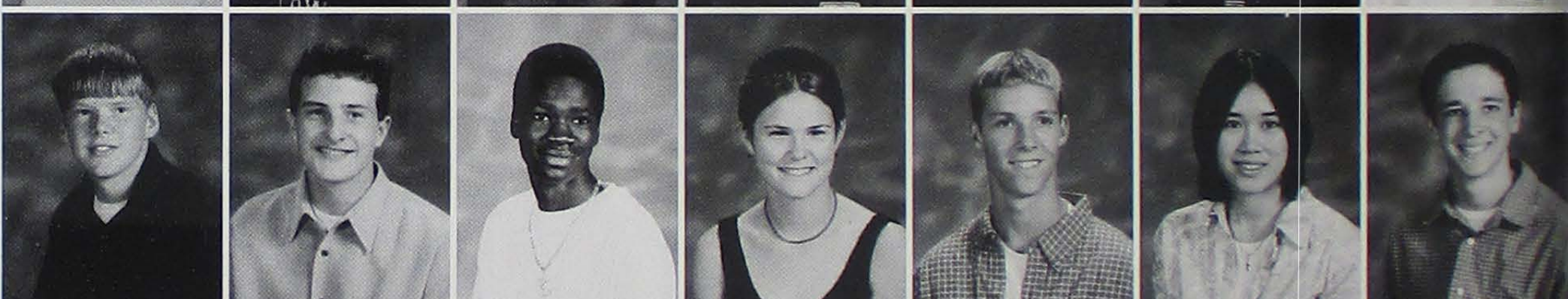
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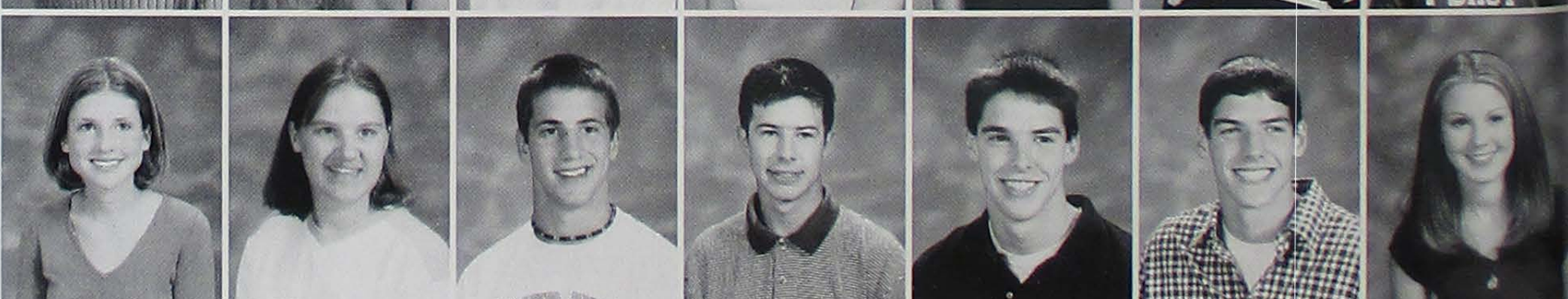
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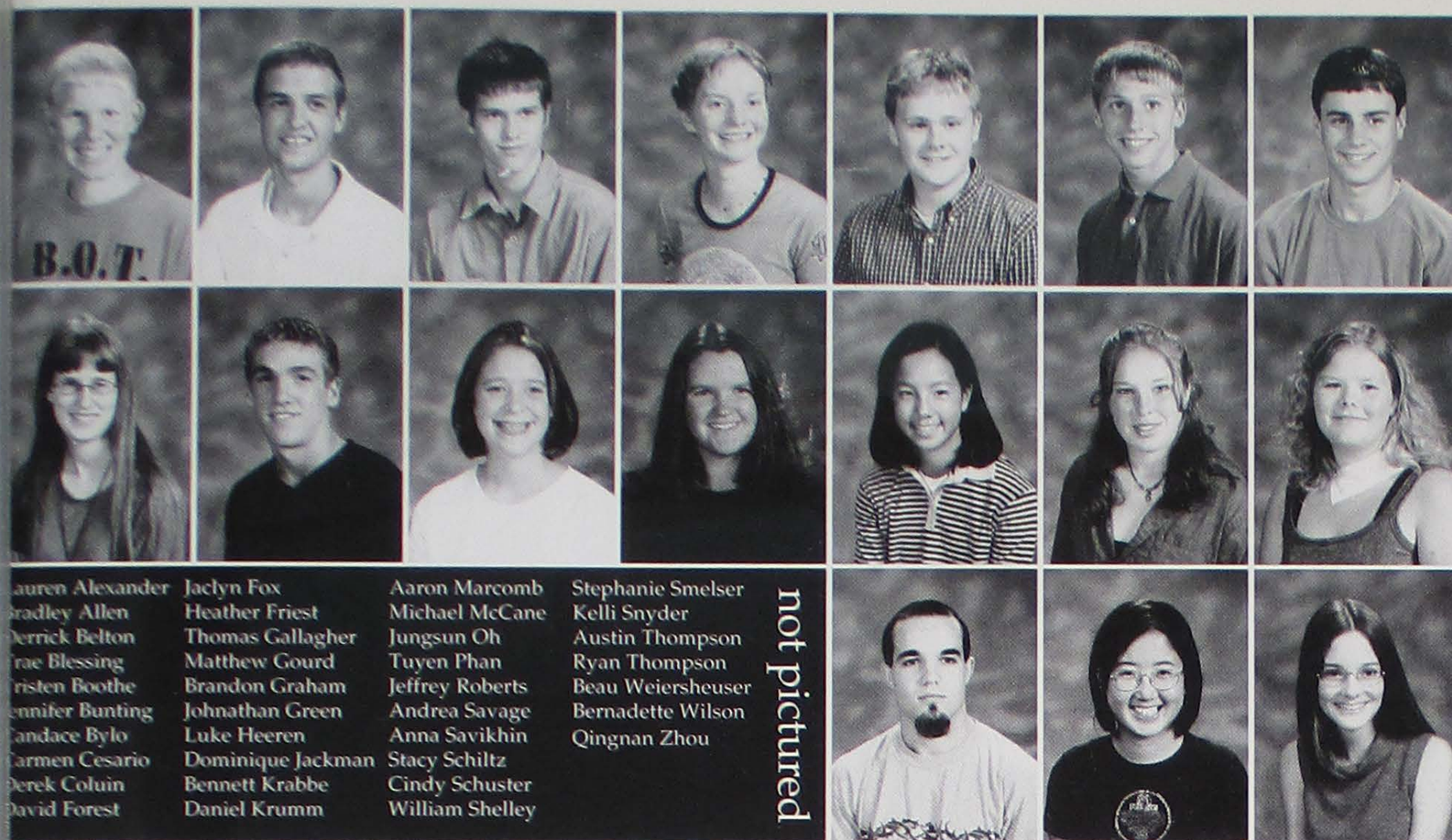


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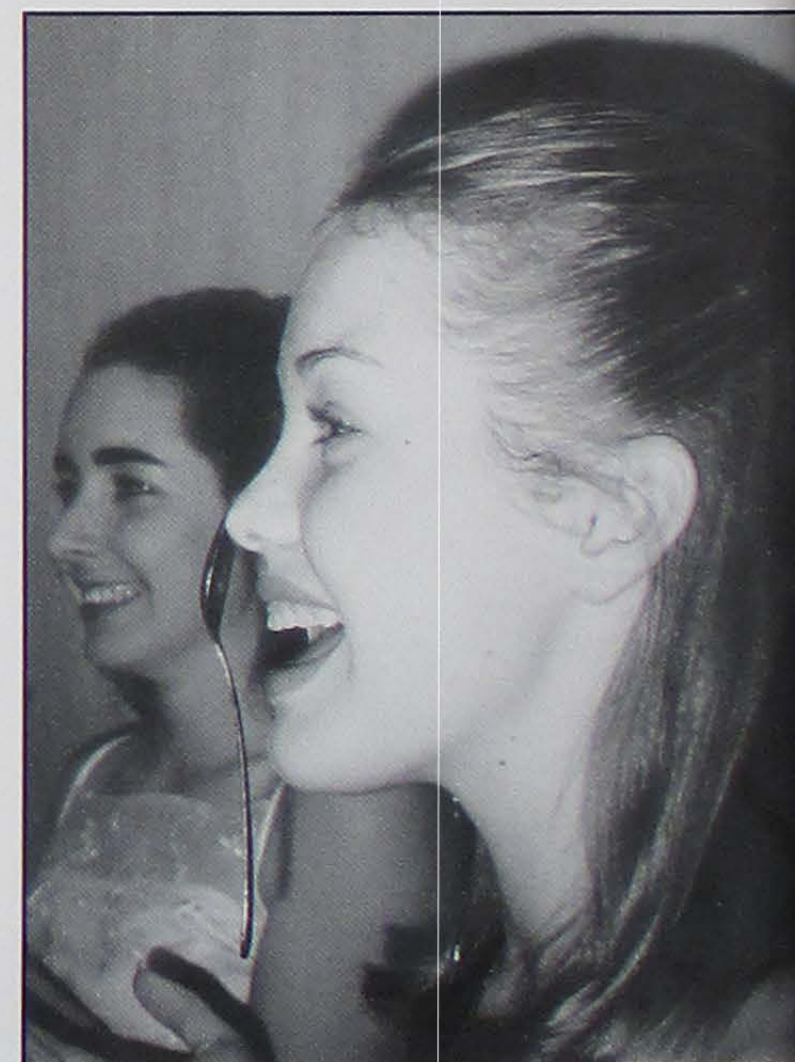
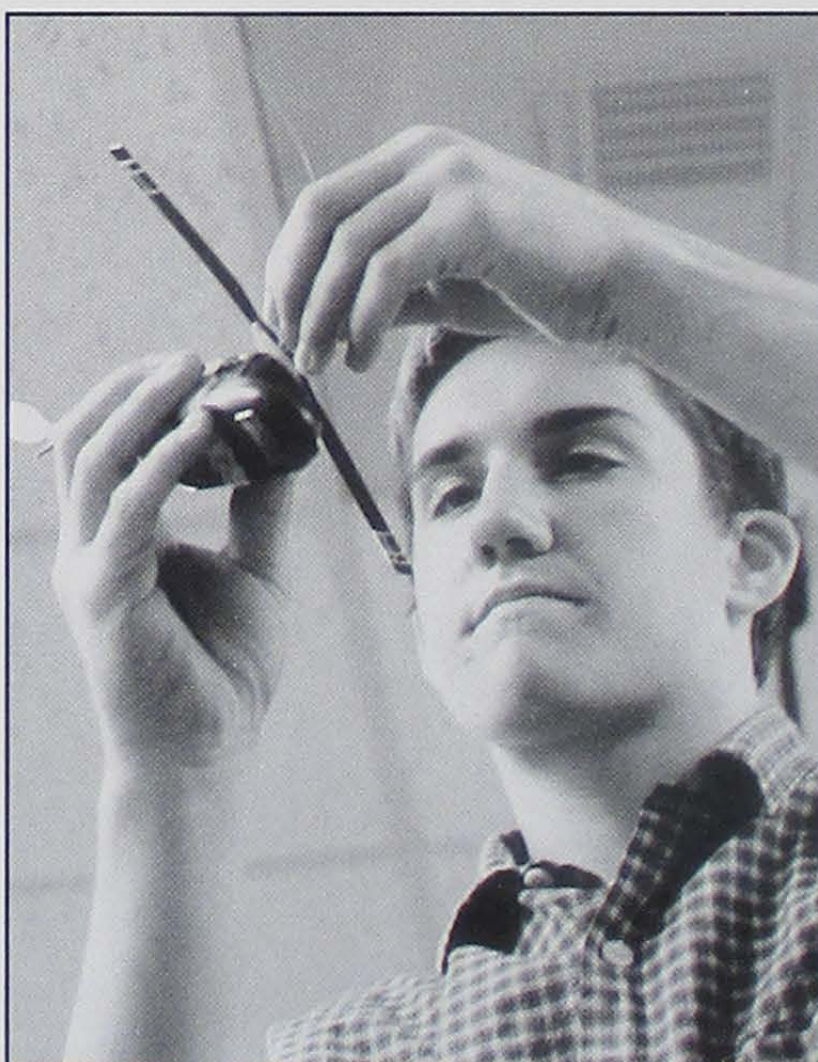
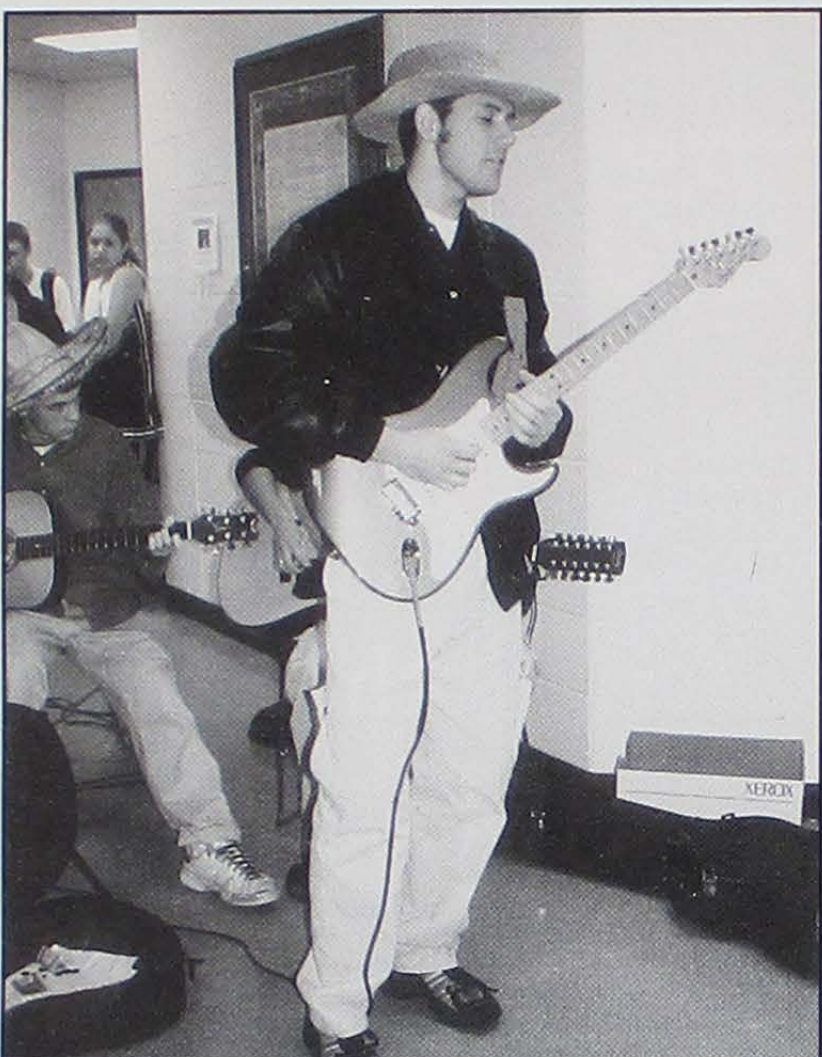
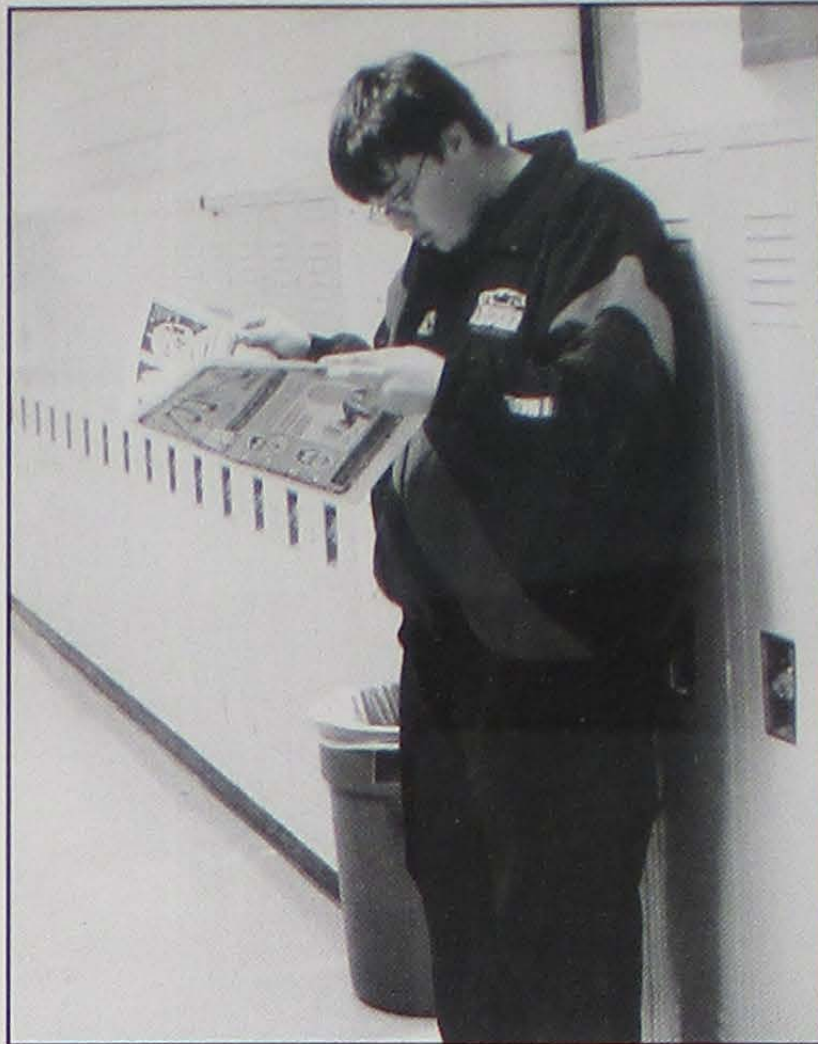
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Top Ten Signs You're A Junior

10. You're closer to Mr. Dilks than your own mother.
9. You finally got a parking permit.
8. You finally got a car. (Now everyone's your best friend.)
7. PSATS. The "P" is for "practice," so it's okay you failed.
6. Study hall is no more.
5. Your parents forced you into getting a job.
Would you like fries with that?
4. Spanish III. 'Nuf said.
3. Finals. Caffeine is now a food group.
2. Prom. Get down w'yo bad self.
1. Daddow rocks. (This is true.)



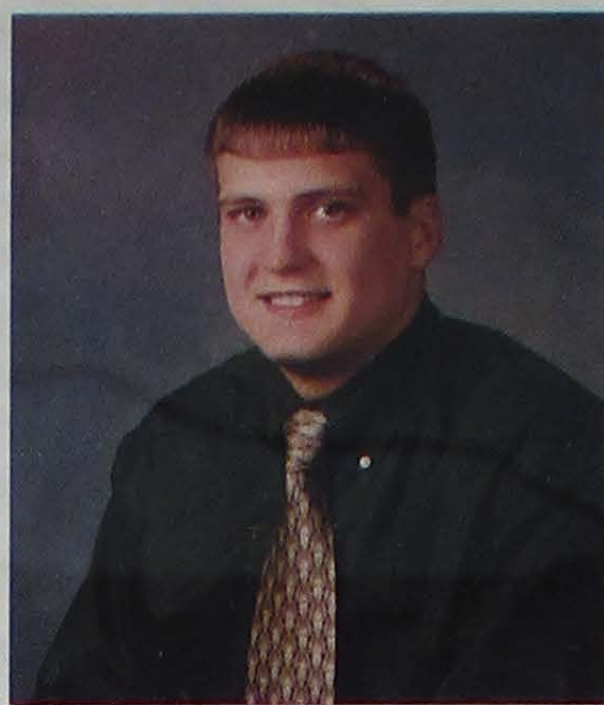
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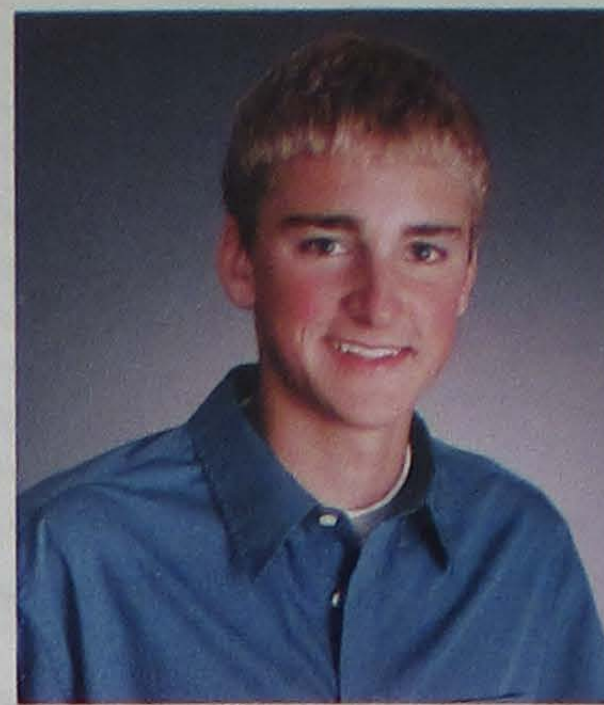
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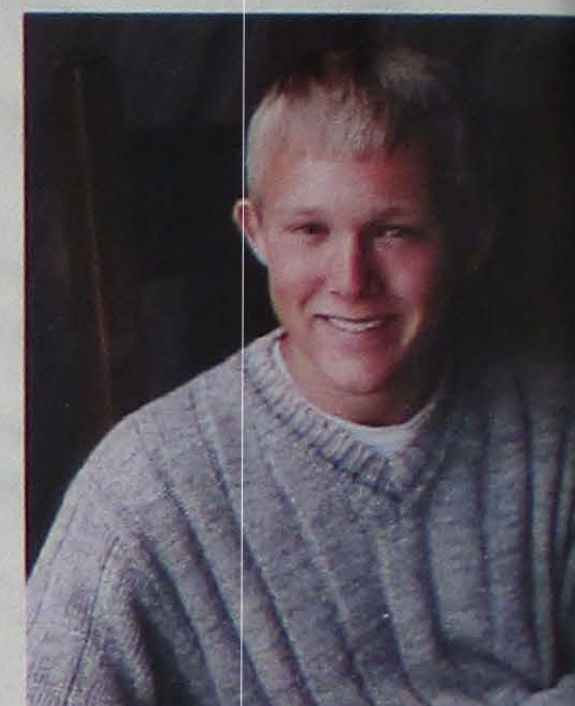
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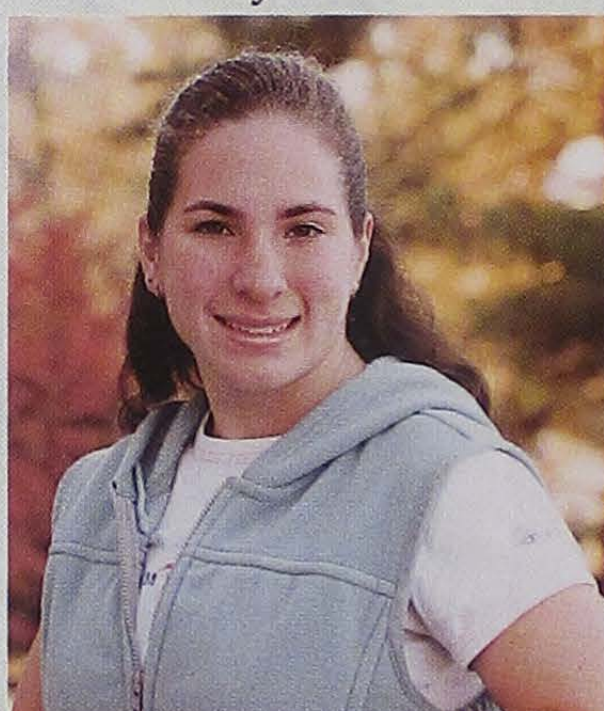
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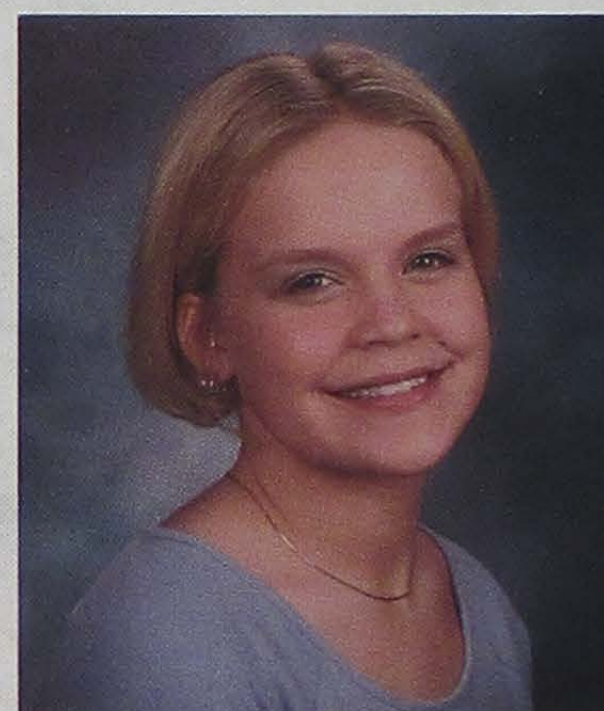
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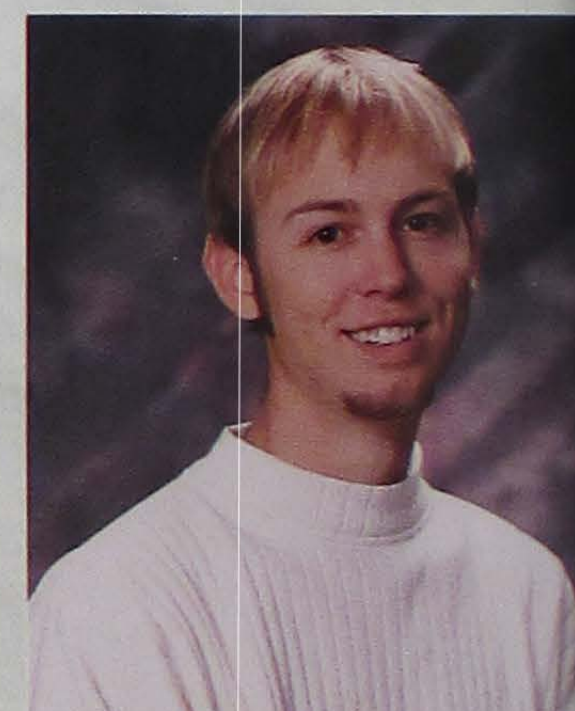
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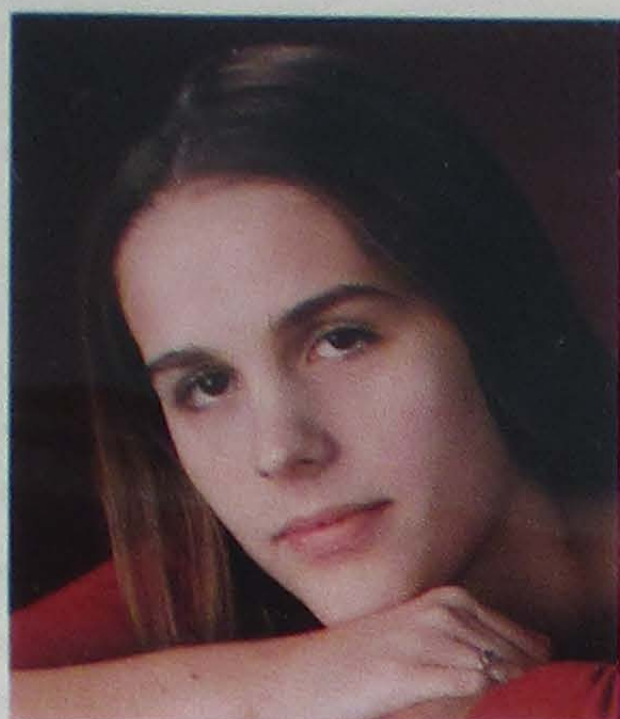
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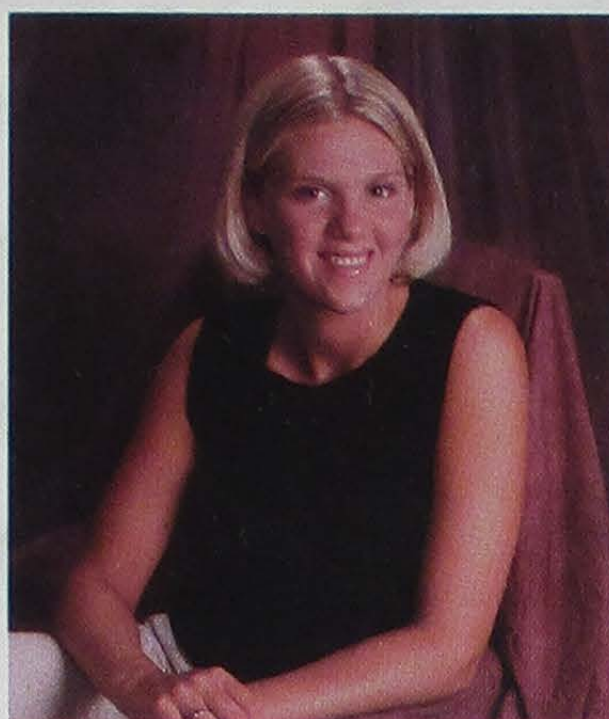
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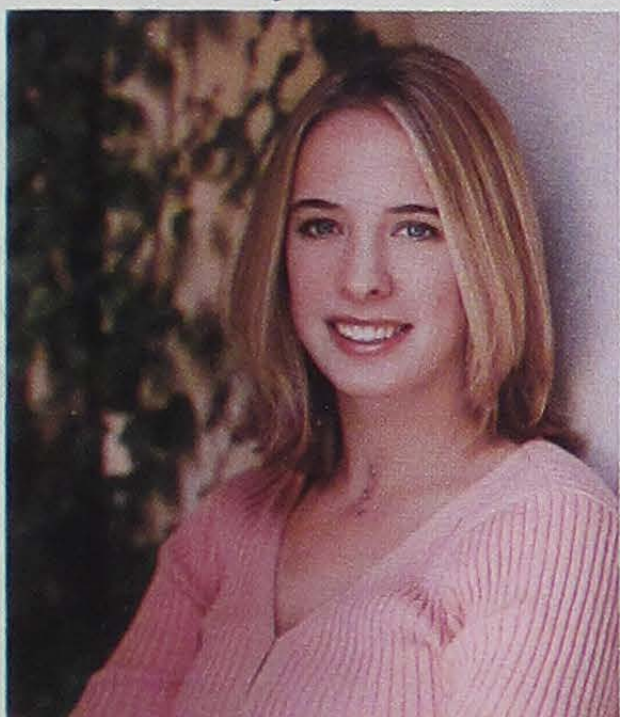
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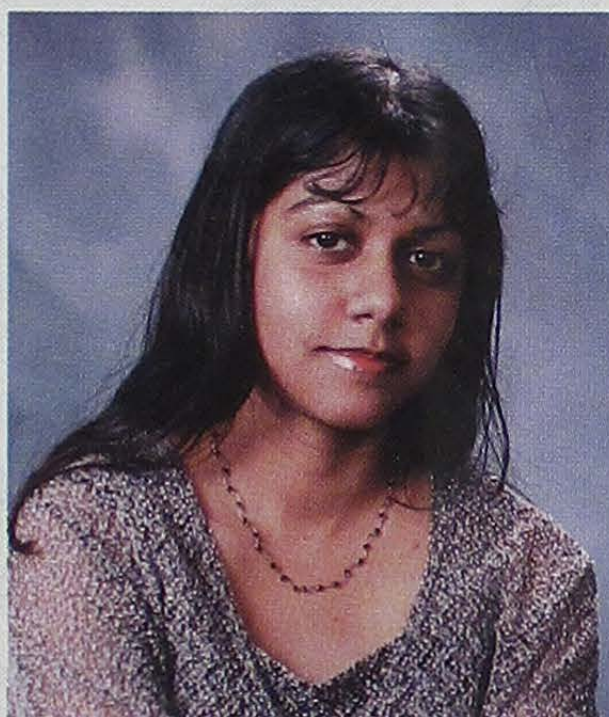
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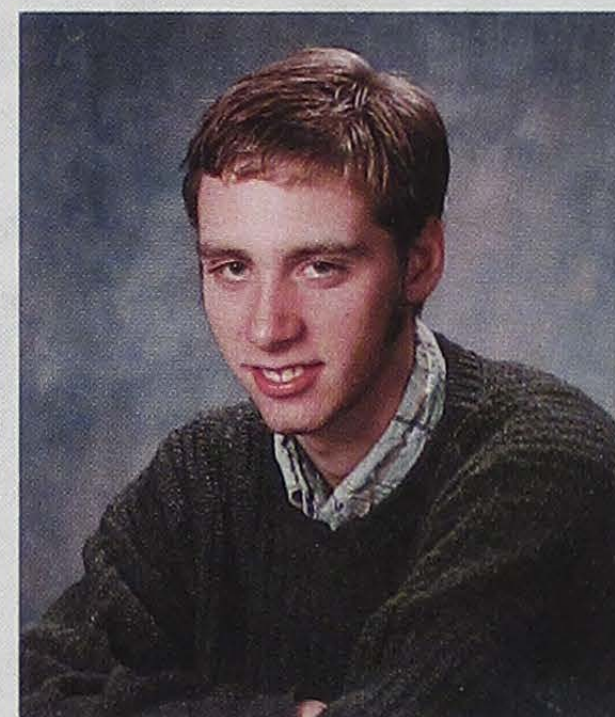
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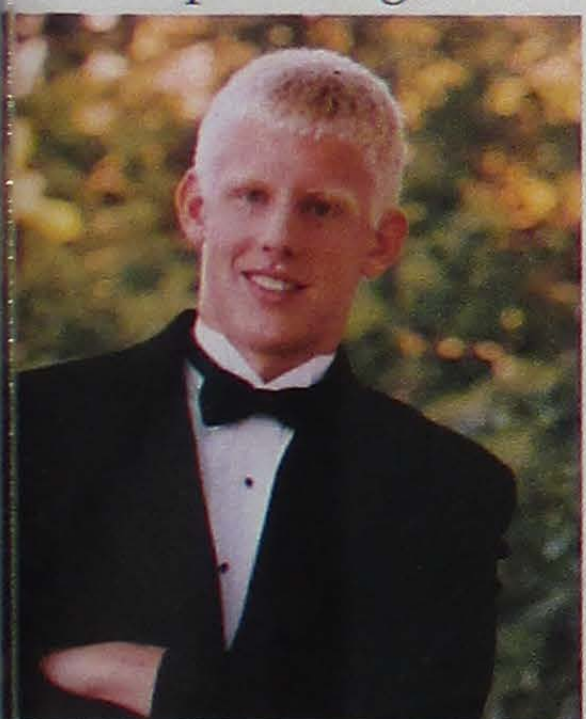
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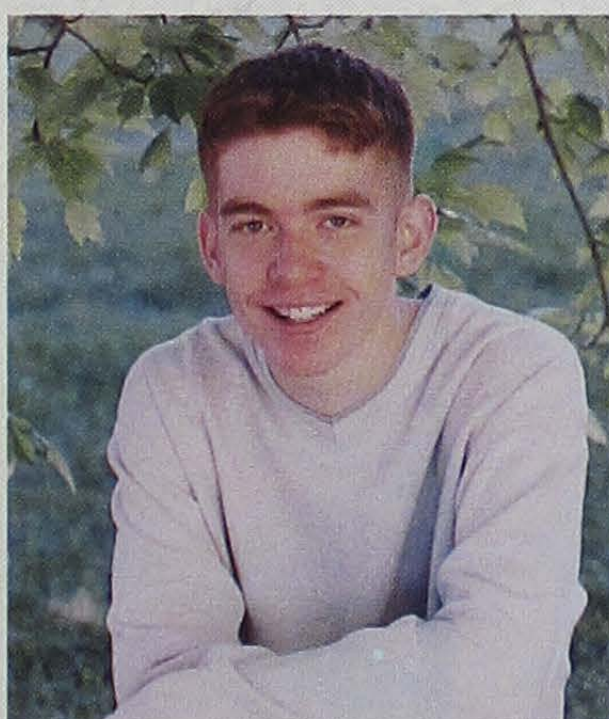
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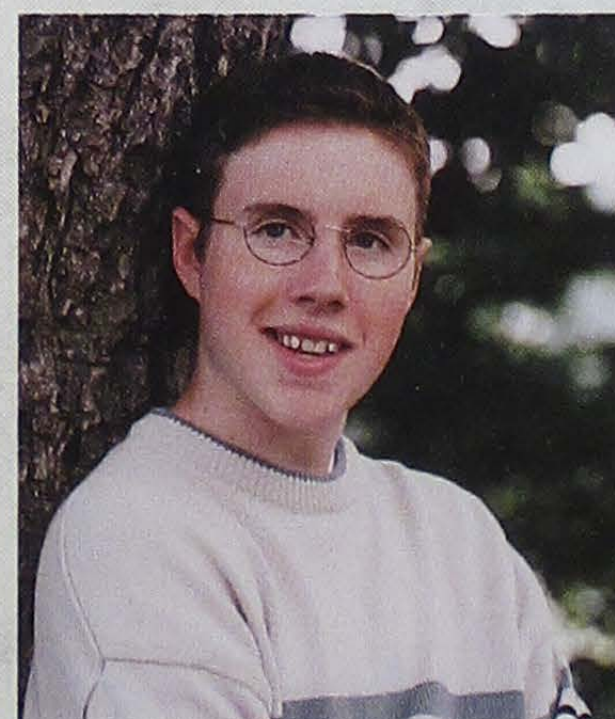
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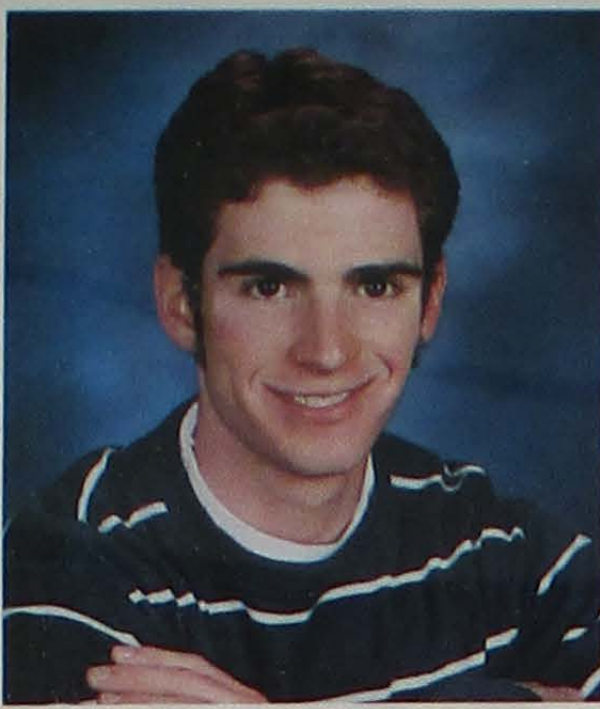
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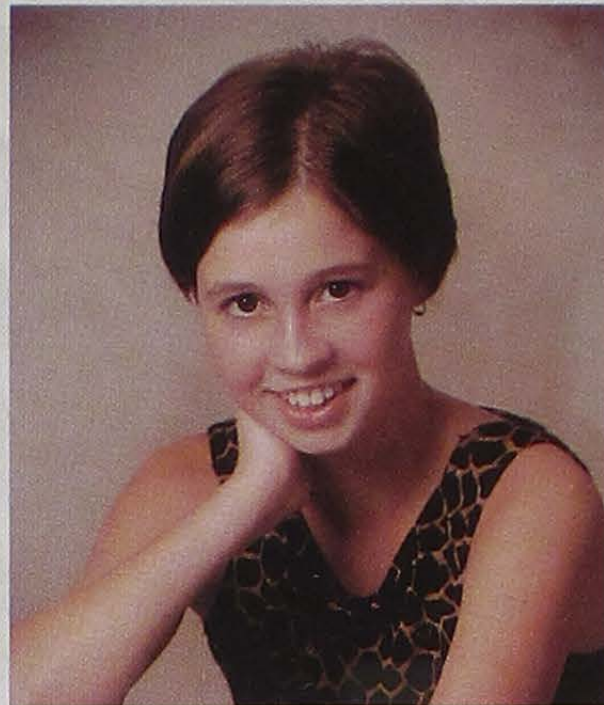
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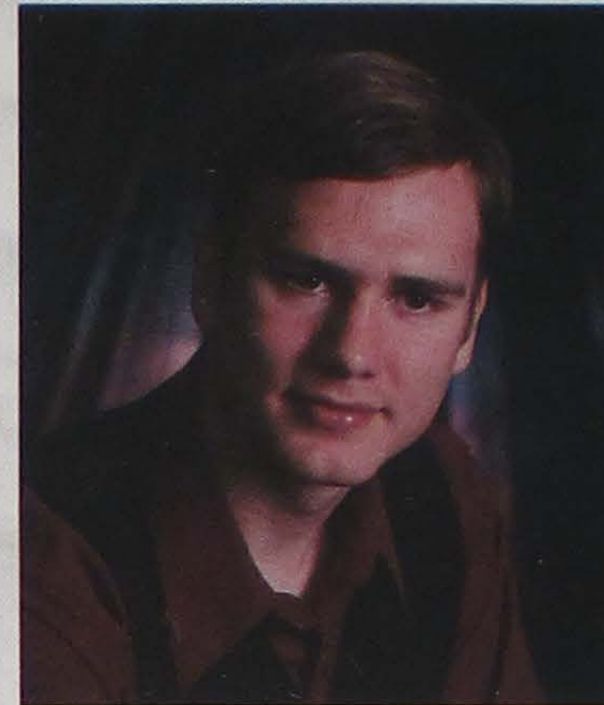
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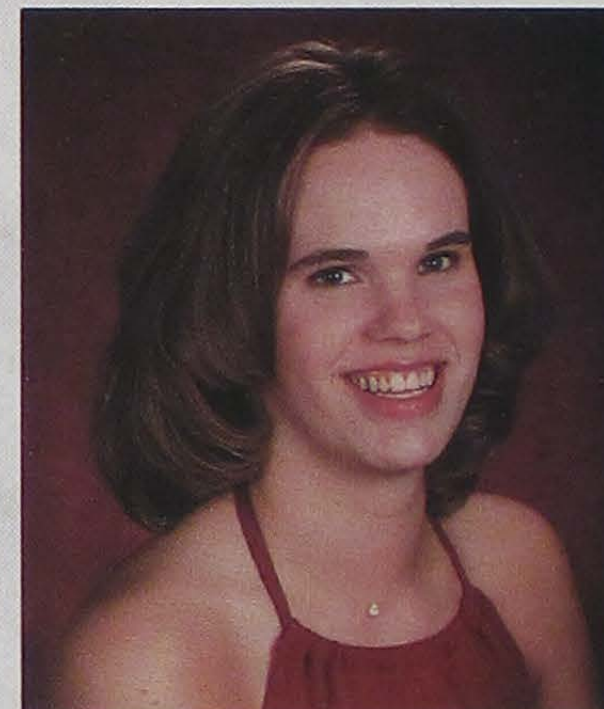
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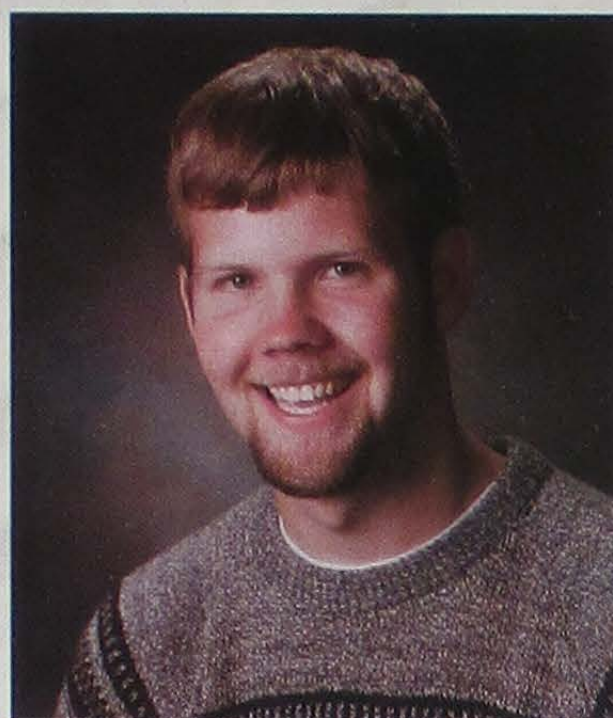
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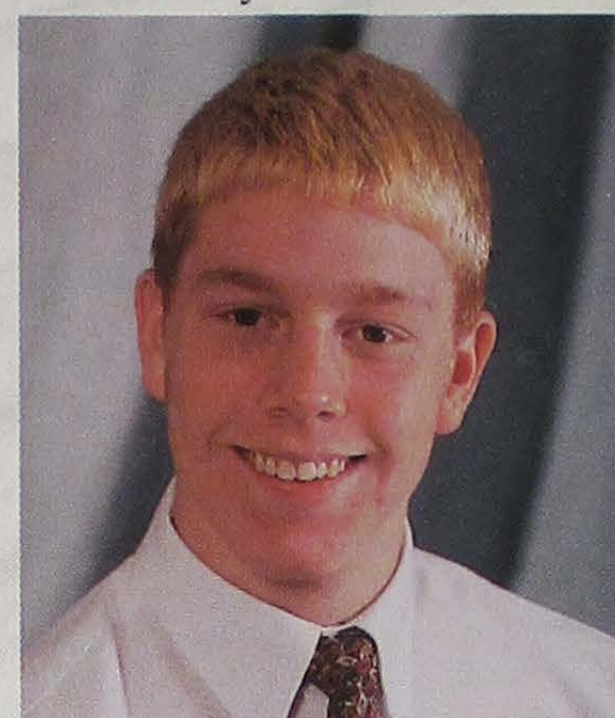
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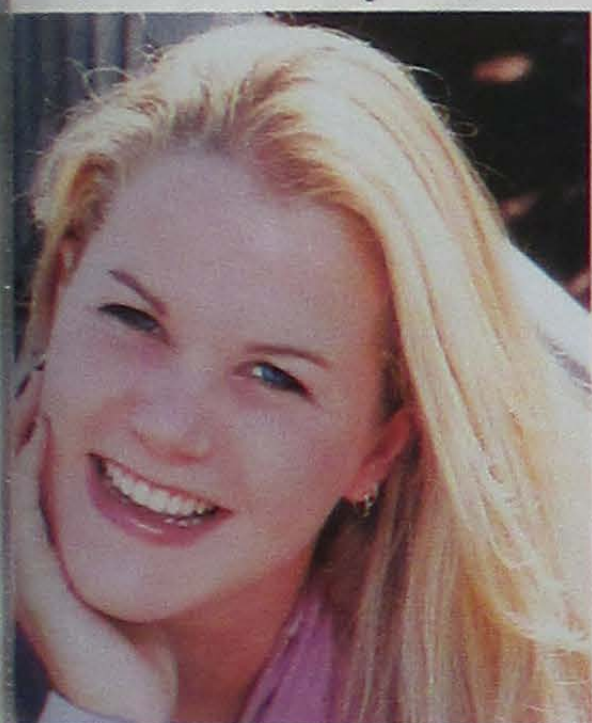
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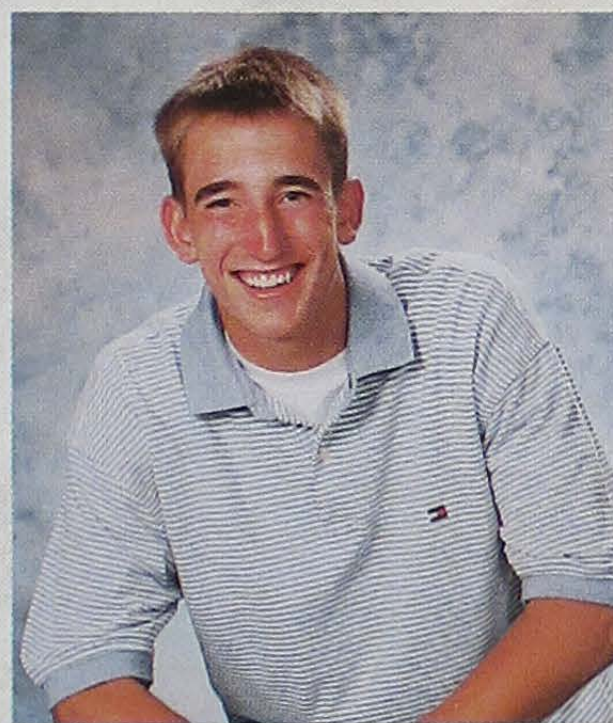
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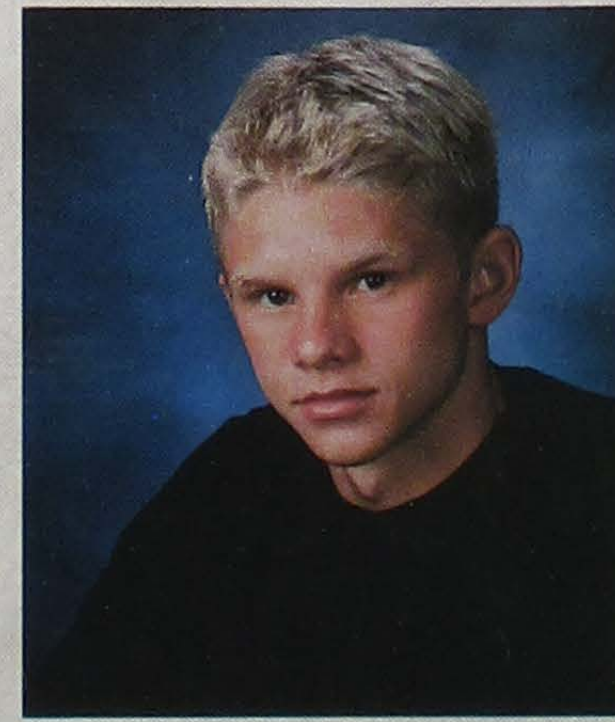
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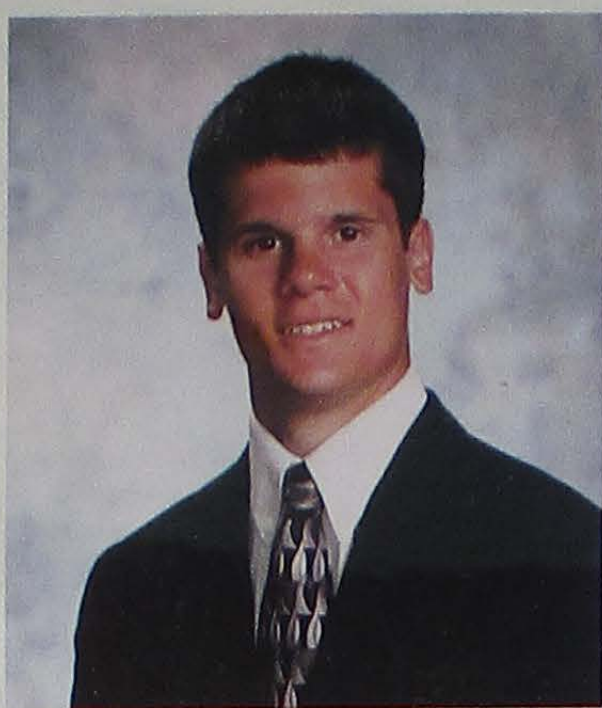
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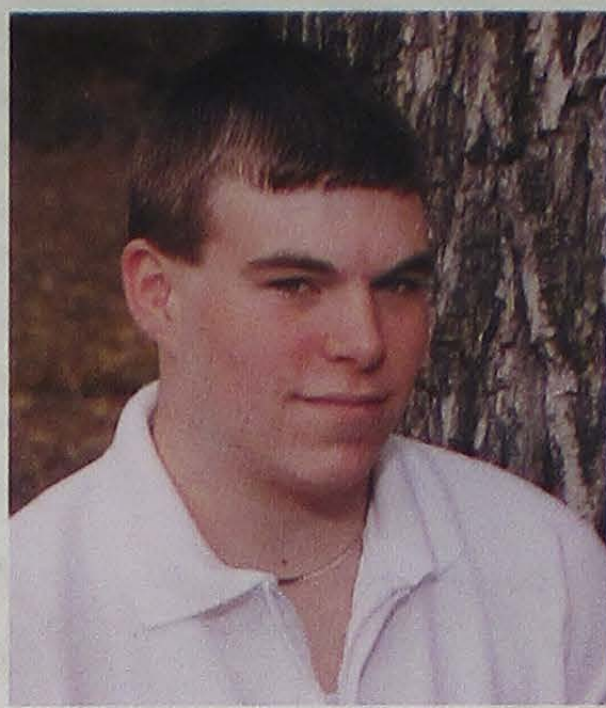
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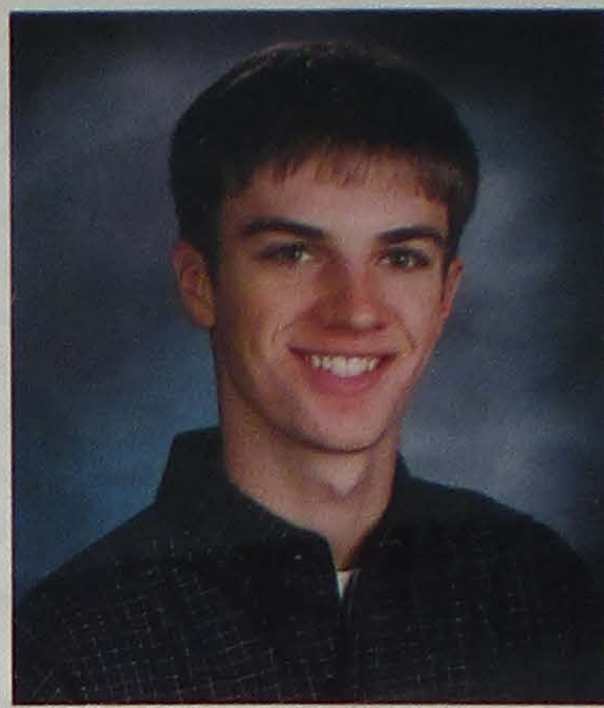
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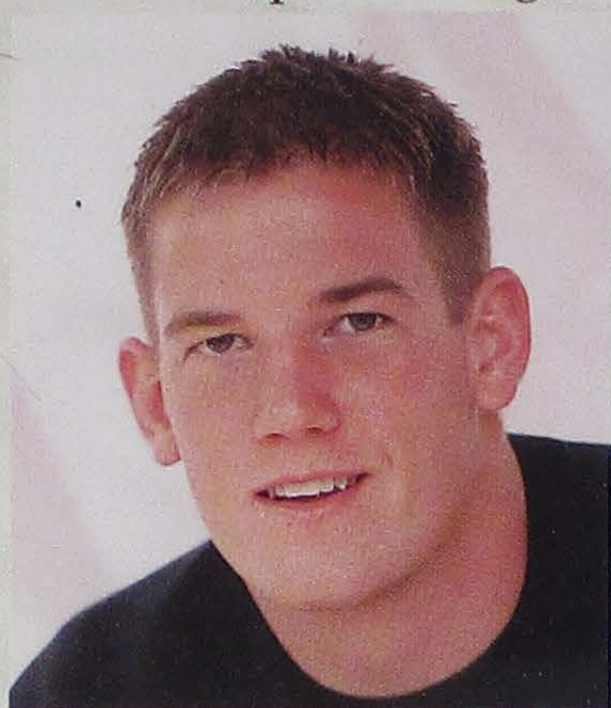
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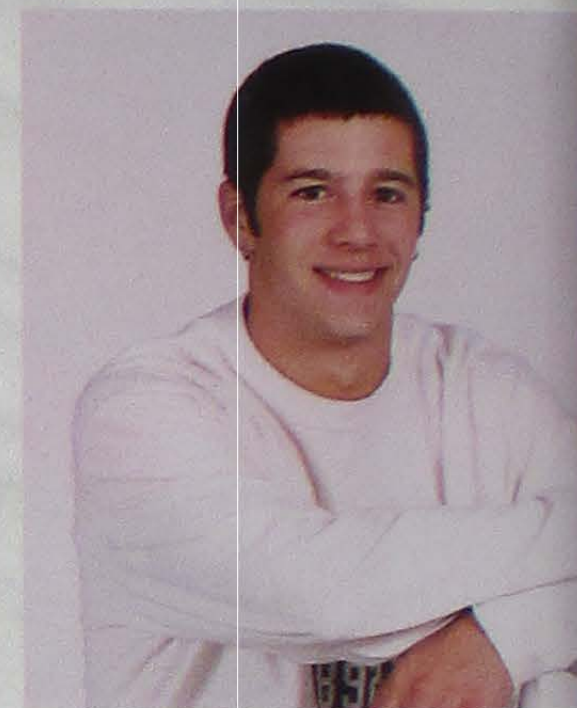
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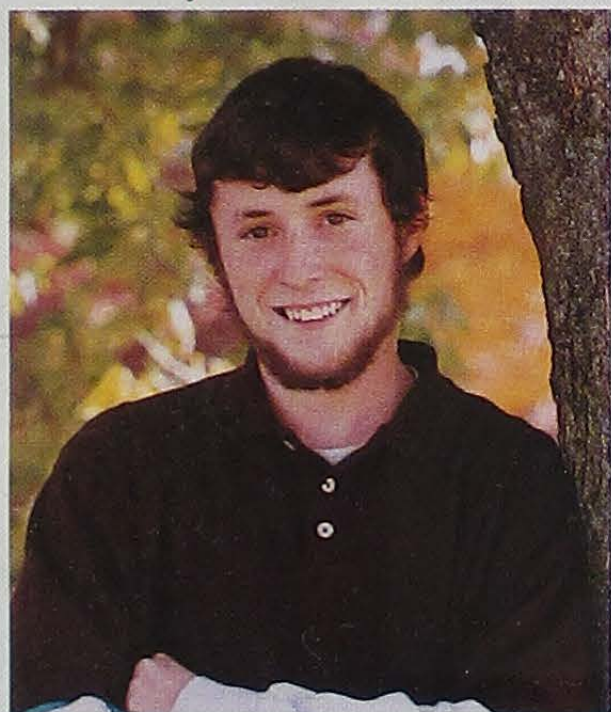
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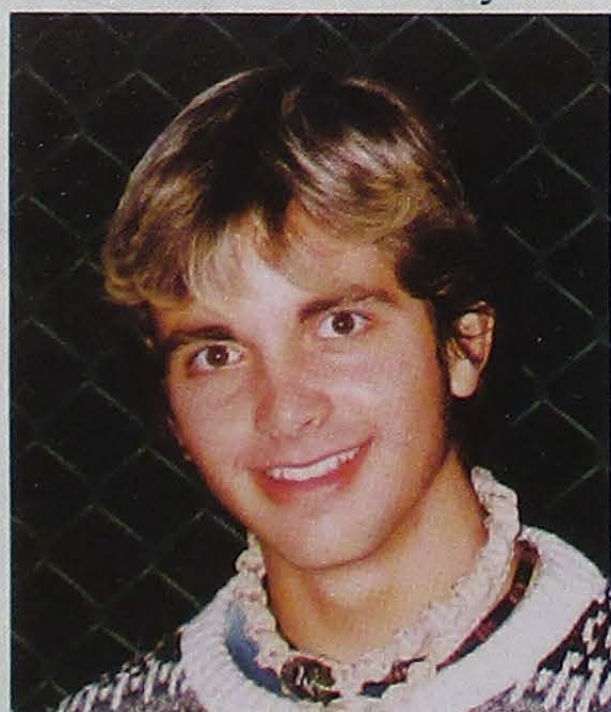
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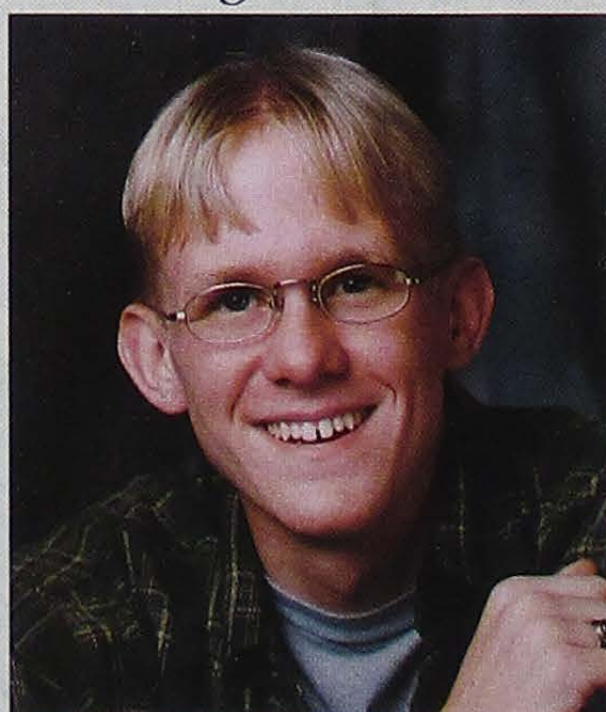
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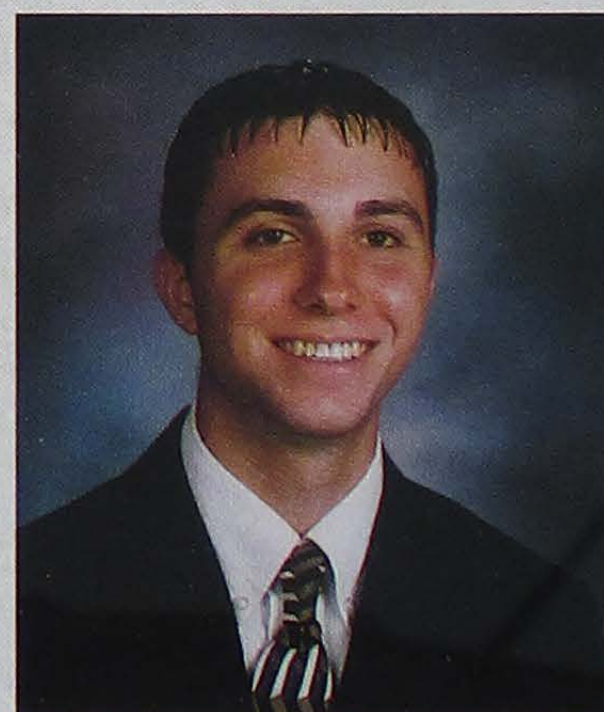
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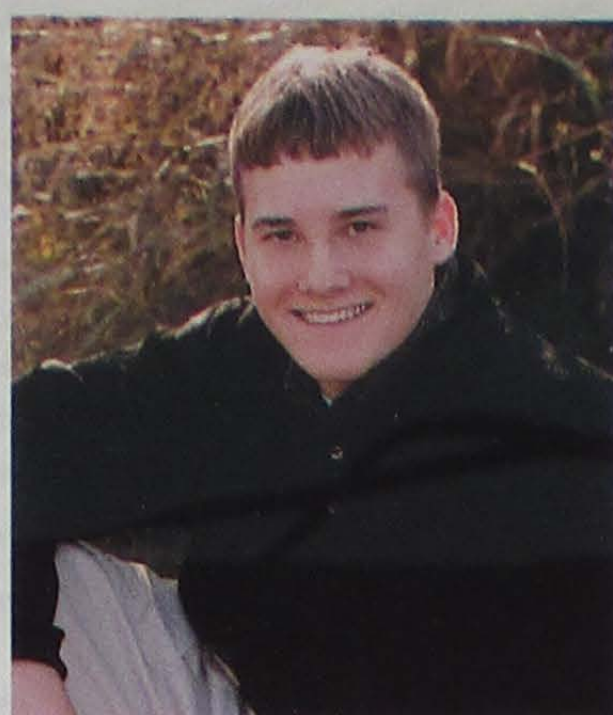
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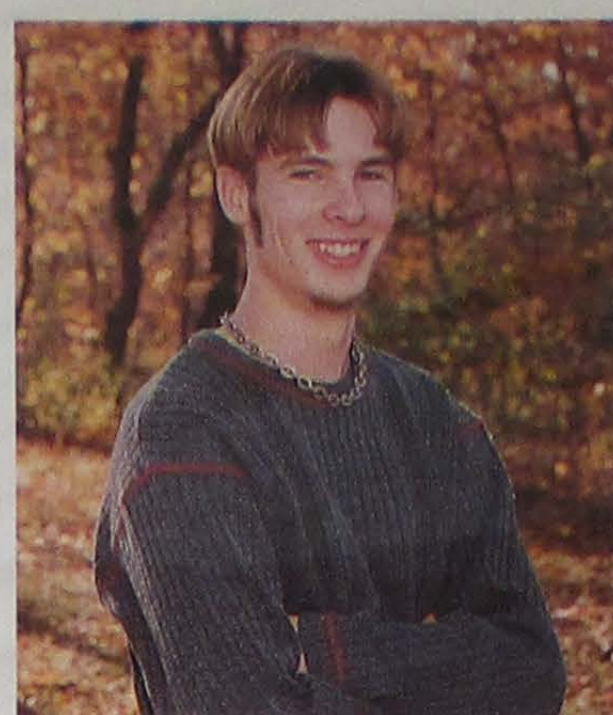
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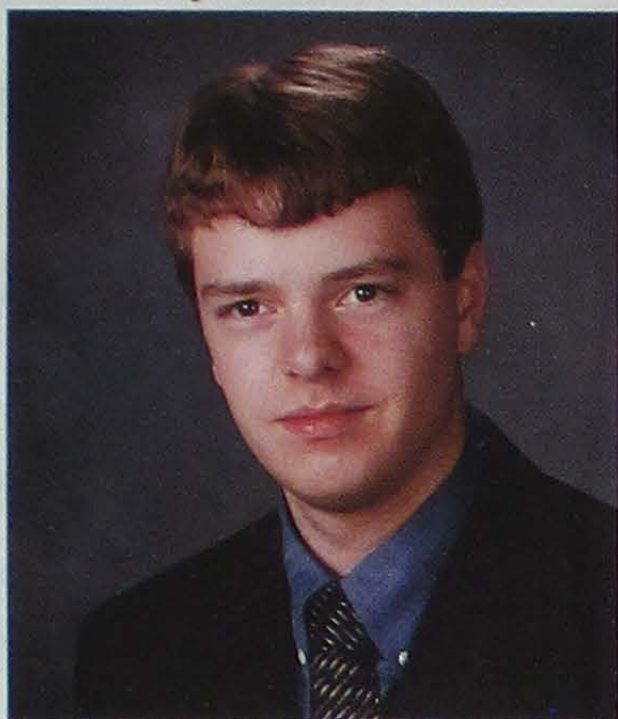
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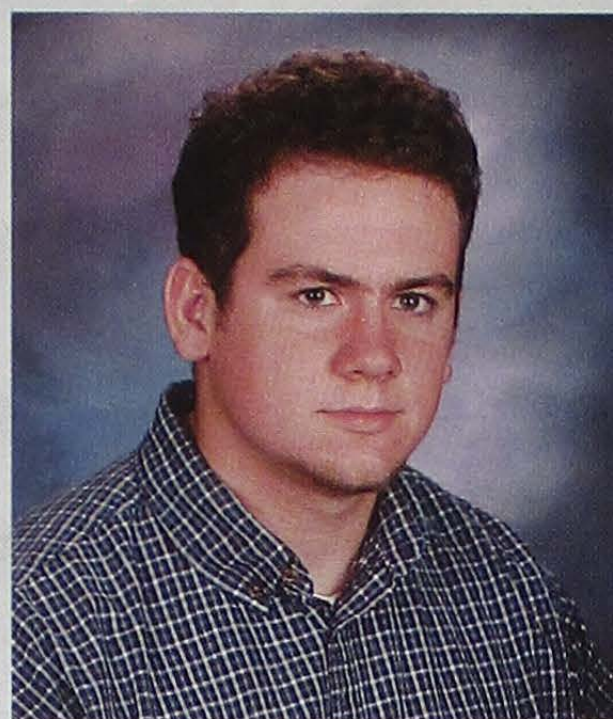
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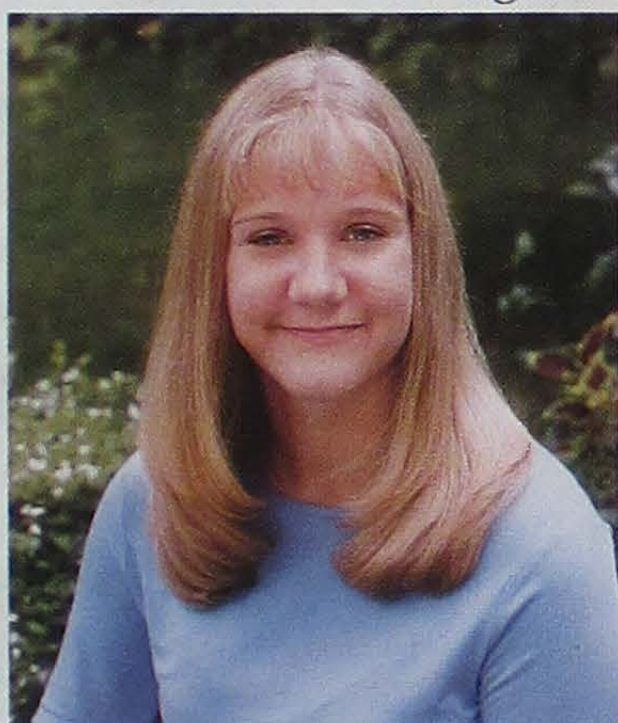
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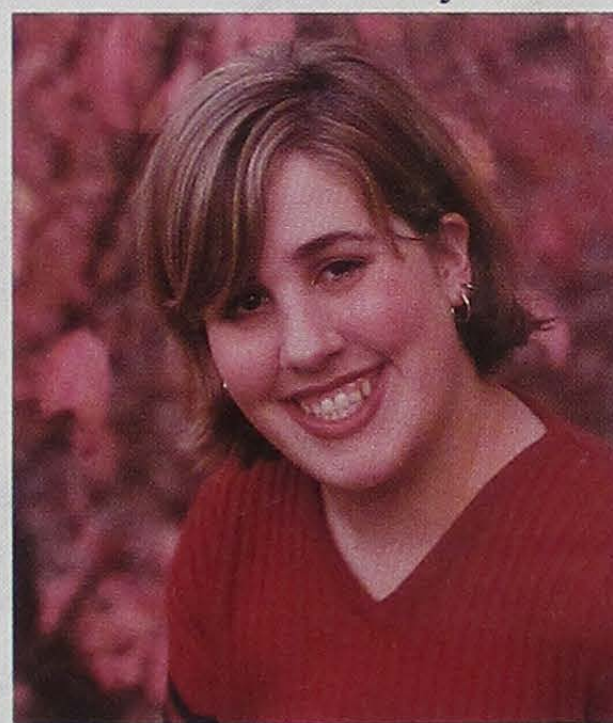
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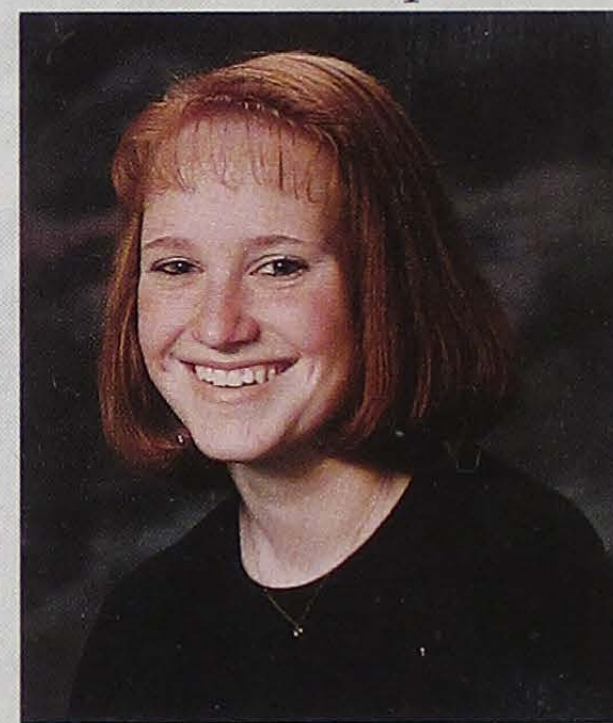
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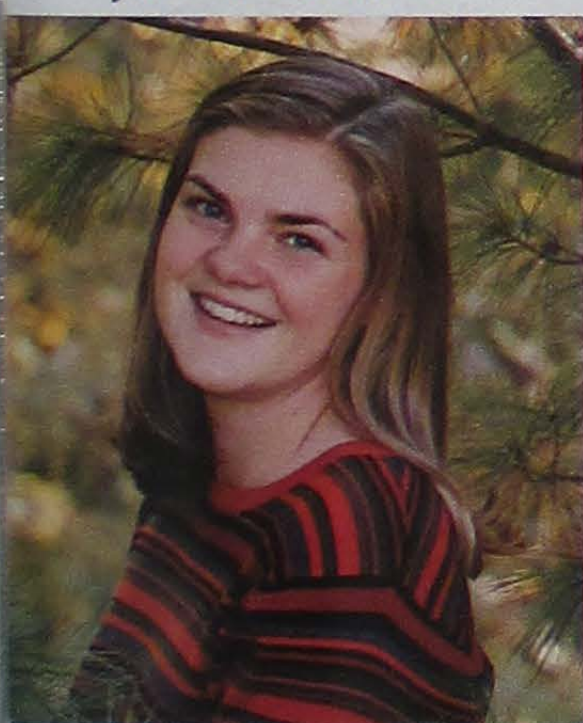
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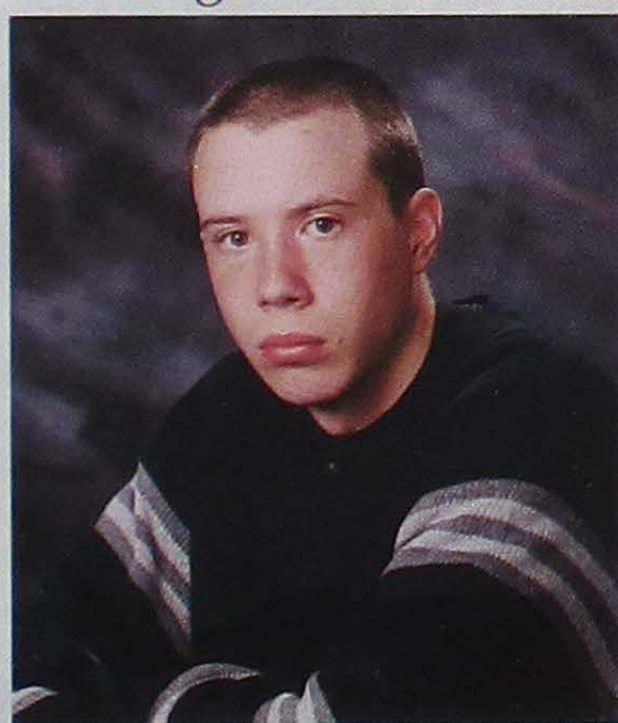
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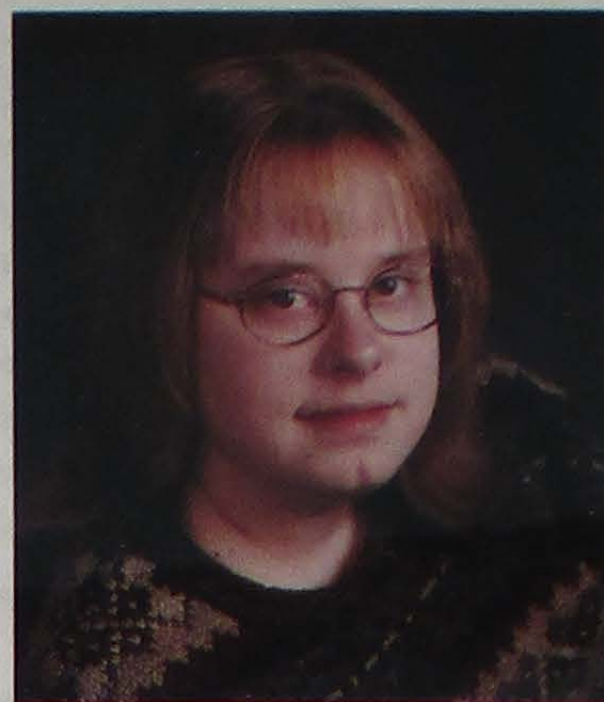
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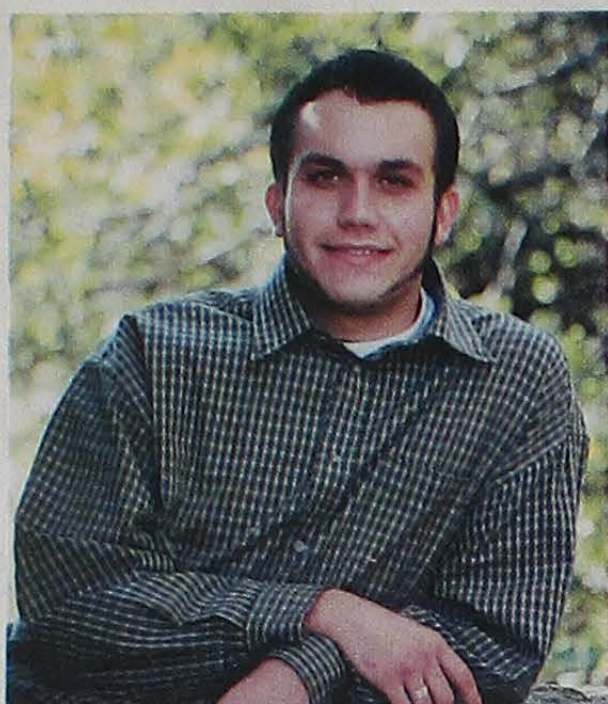
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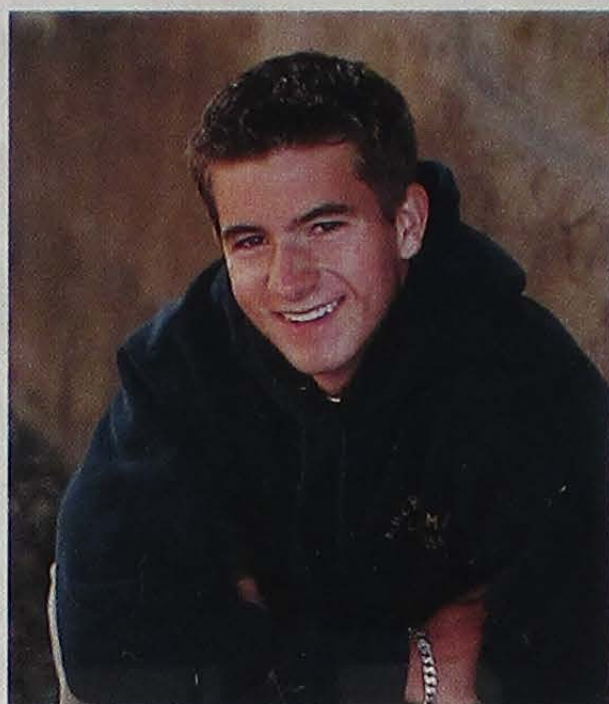
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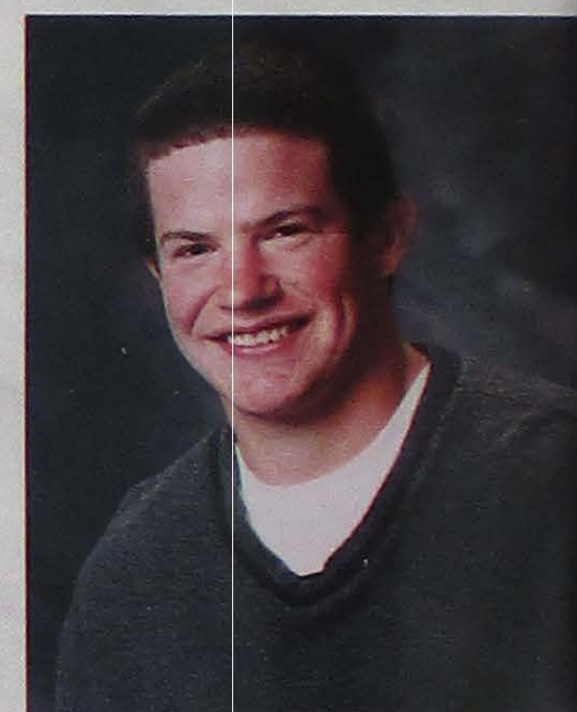
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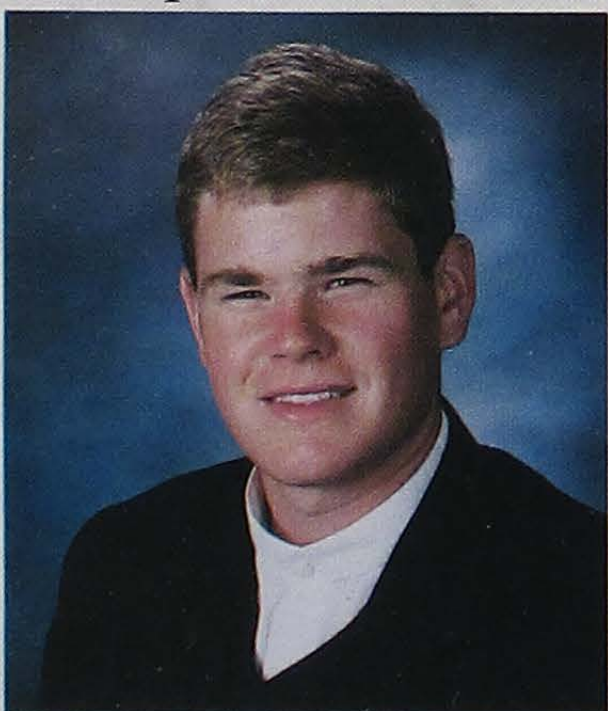
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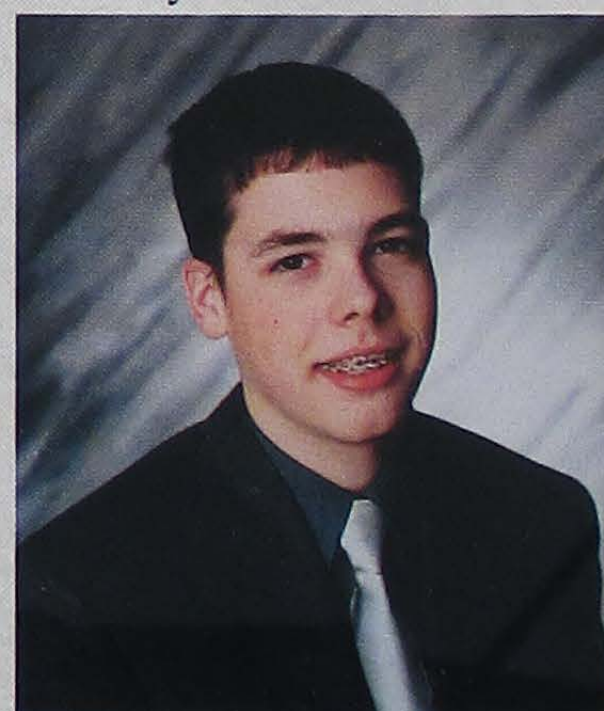
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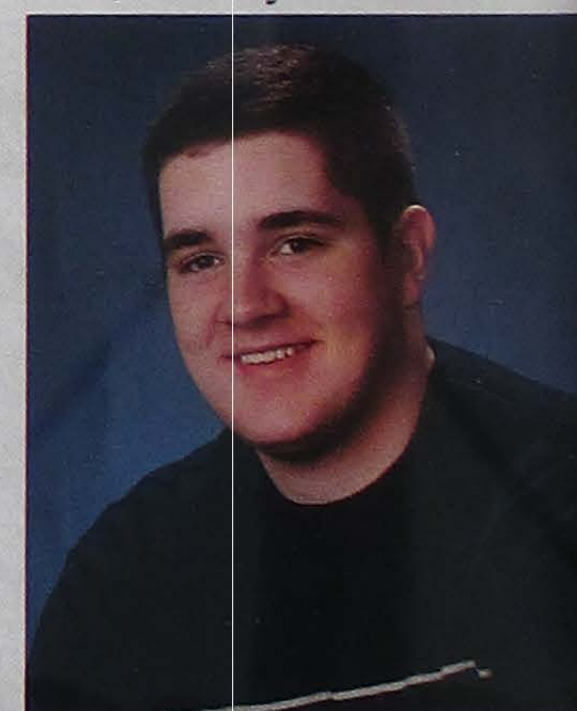
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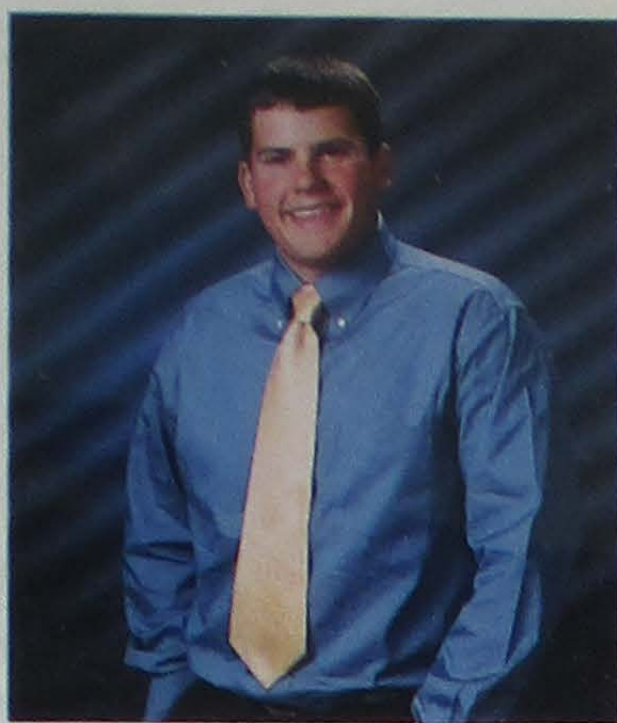
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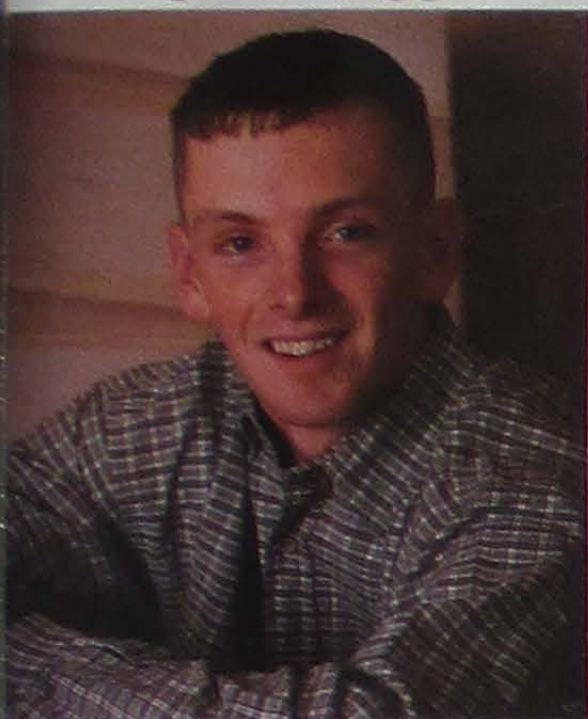
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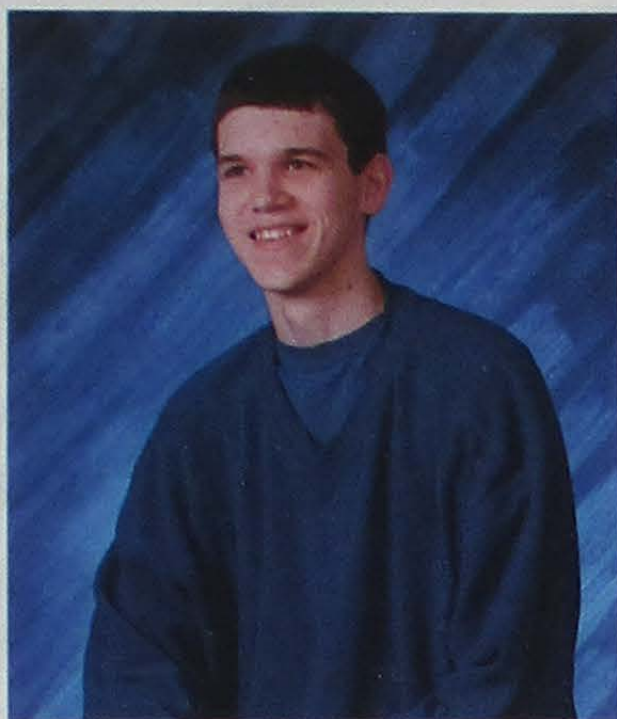
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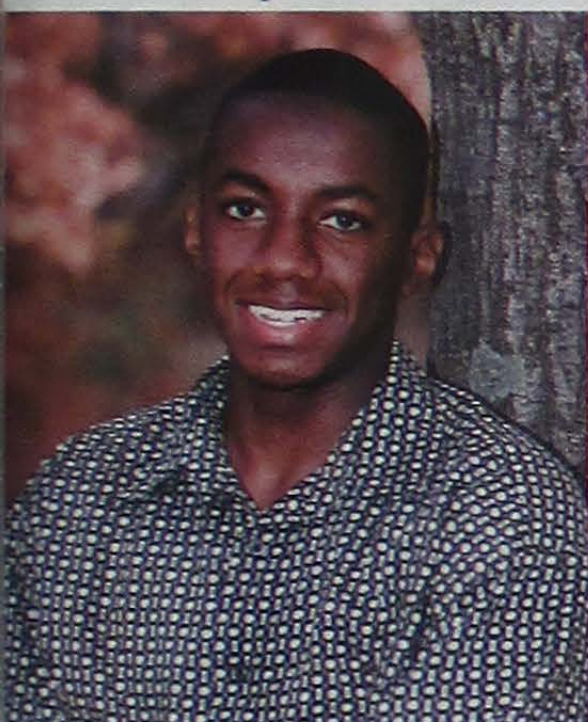
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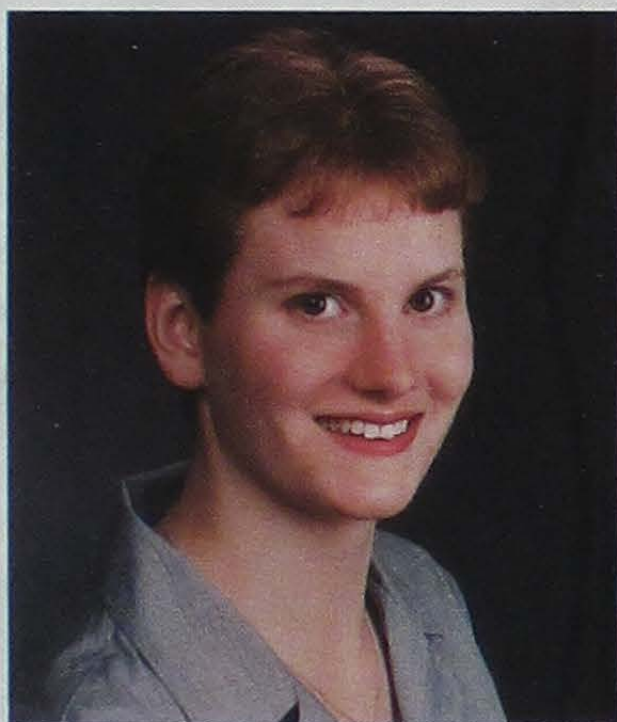
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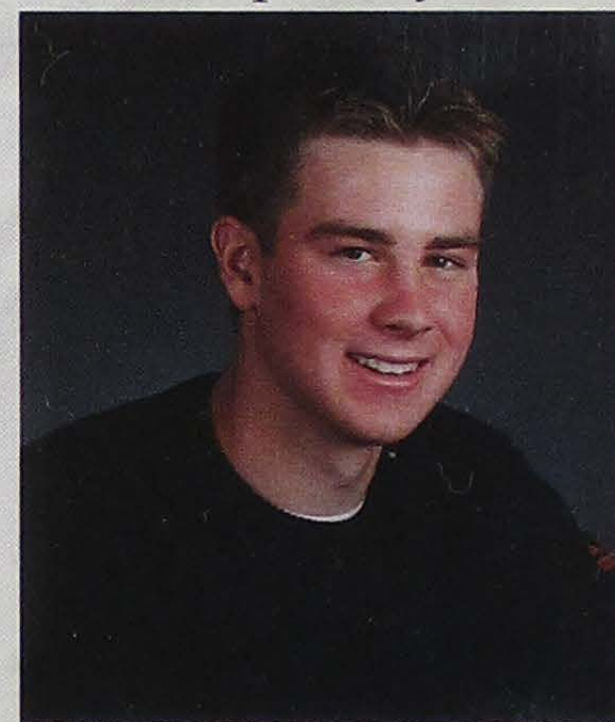
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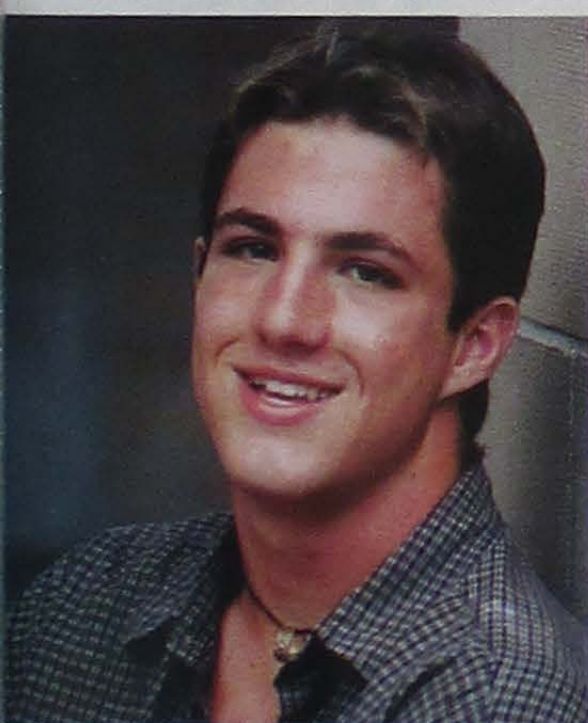
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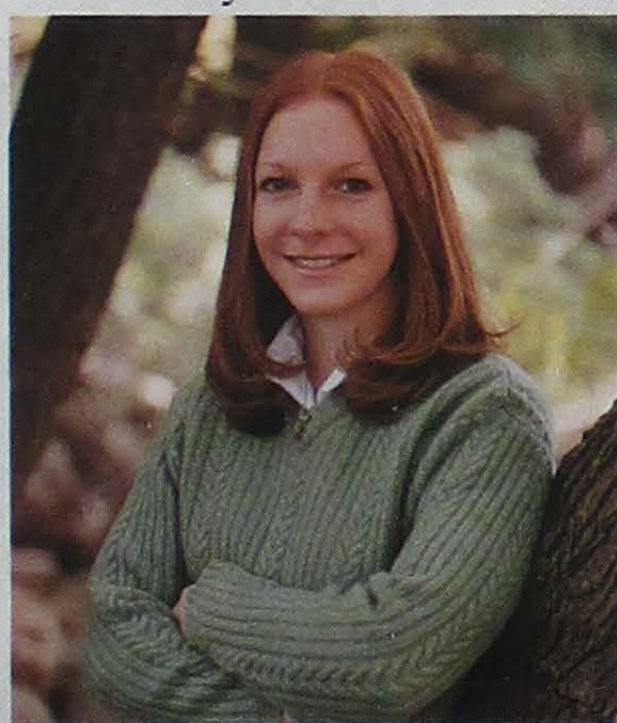
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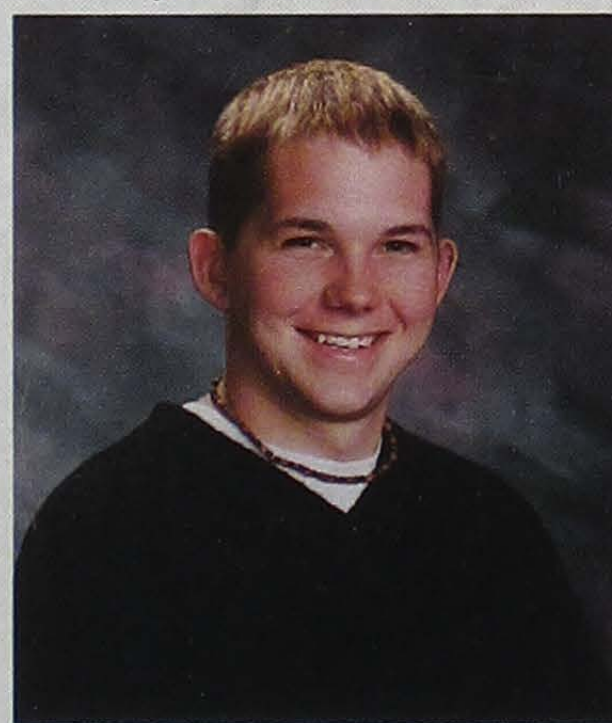
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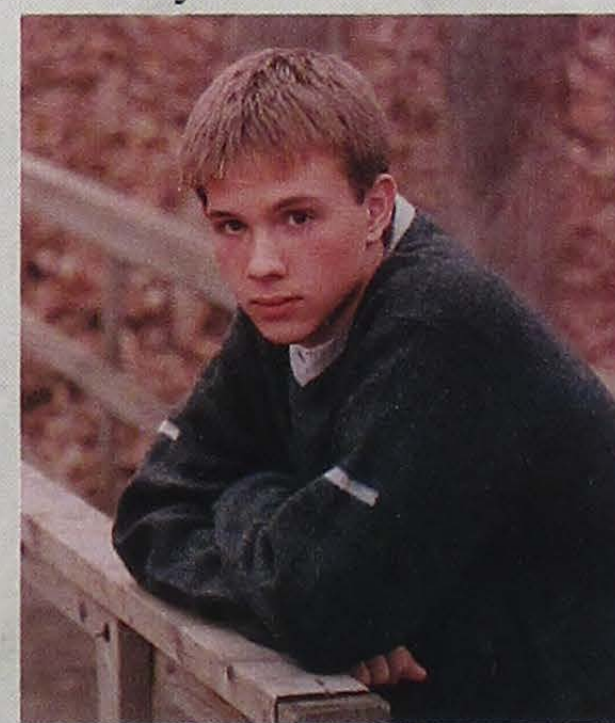
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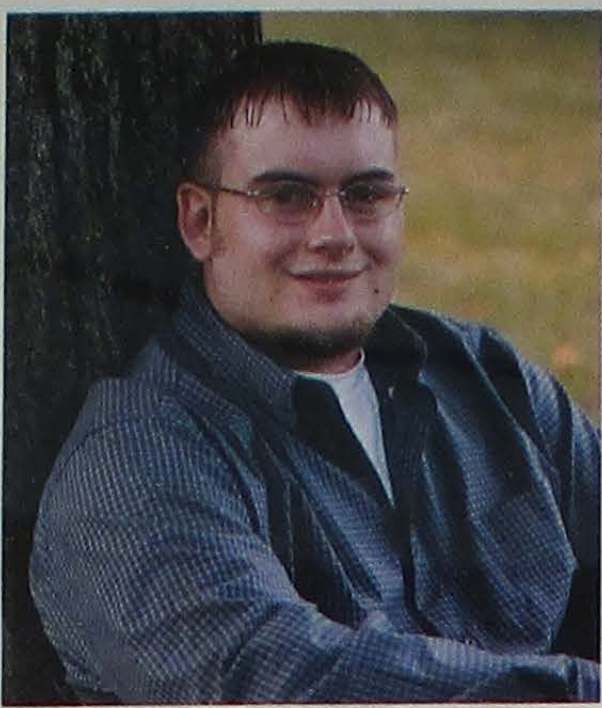
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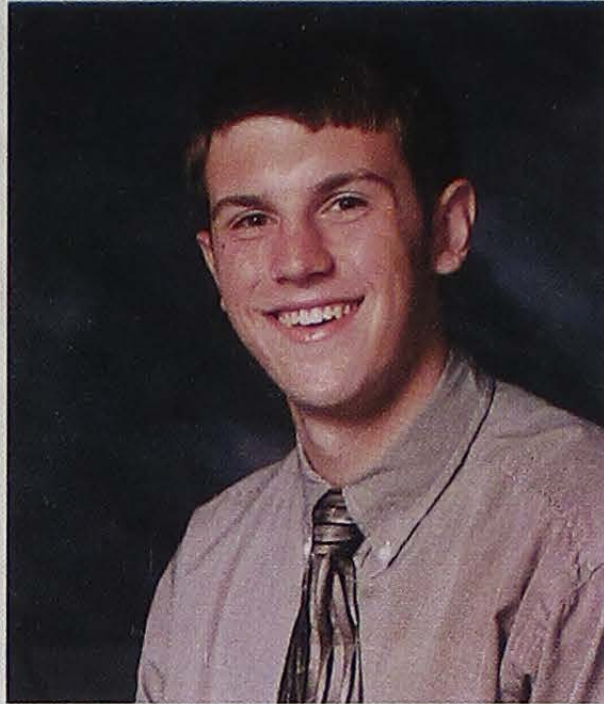
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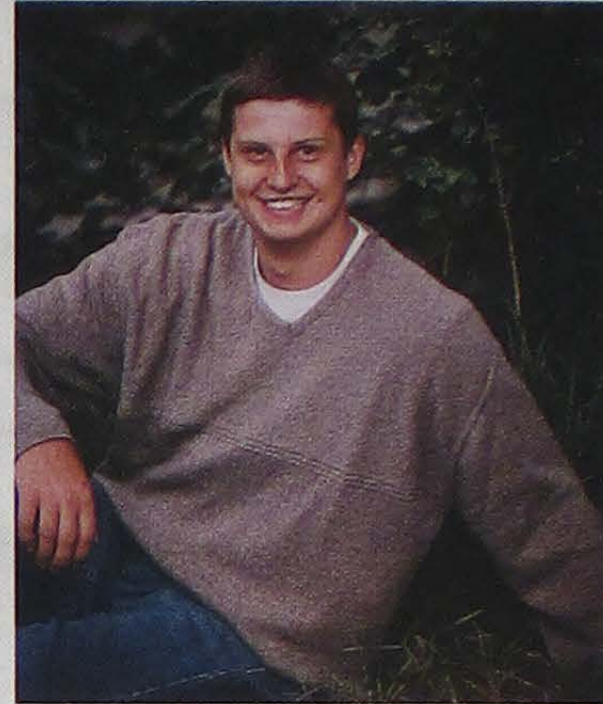
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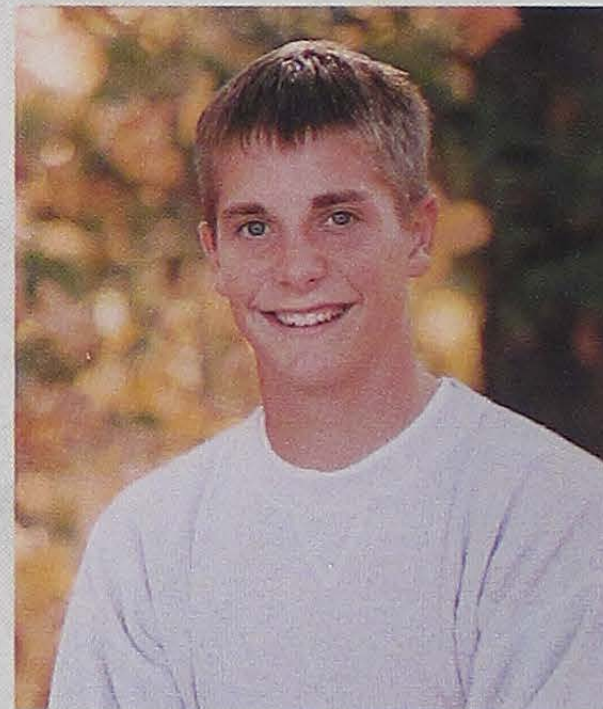
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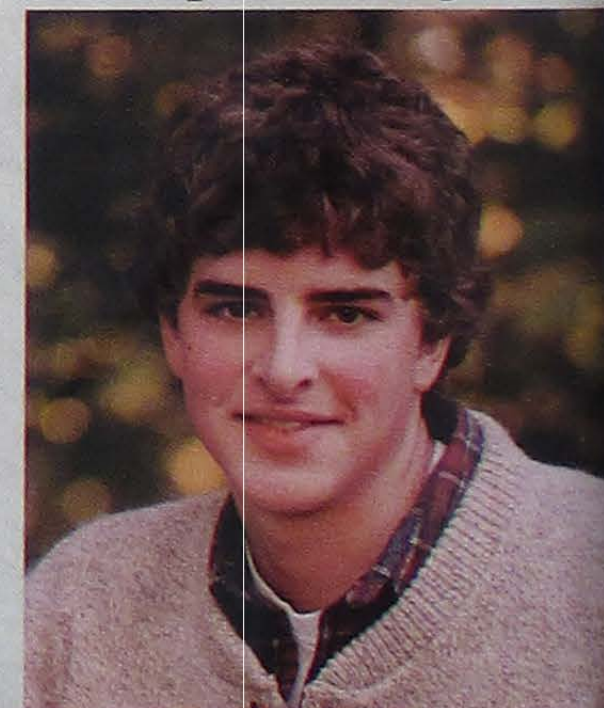
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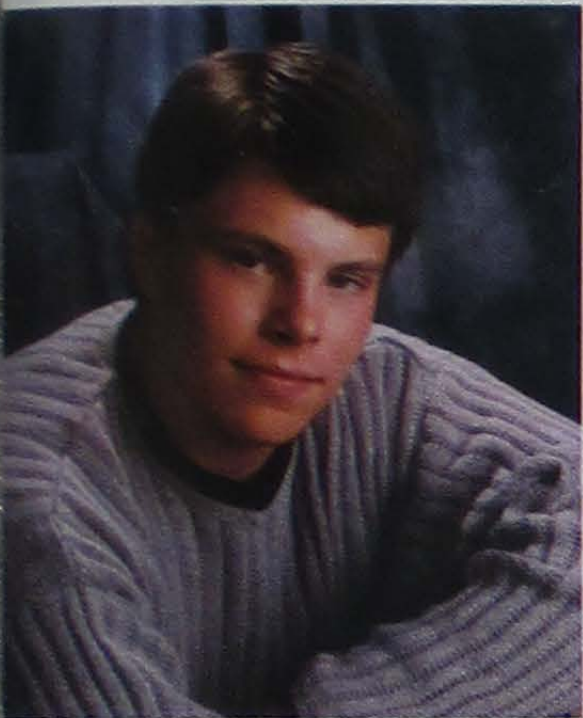
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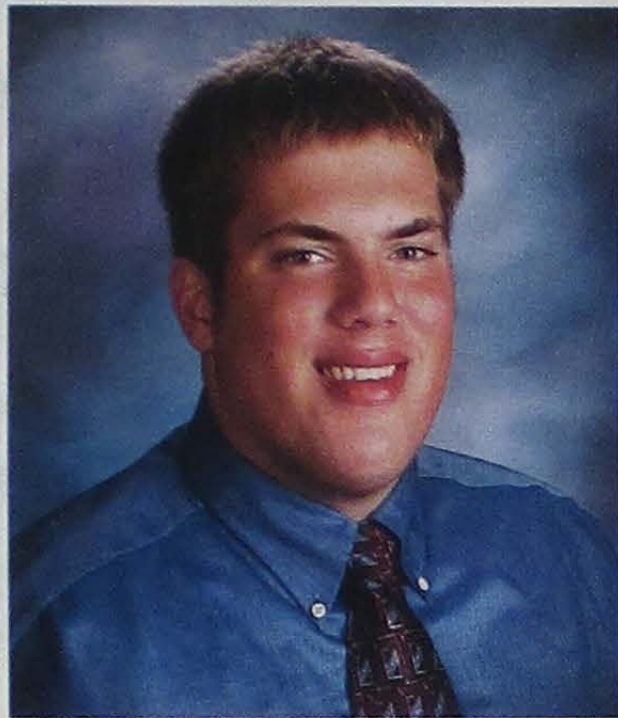
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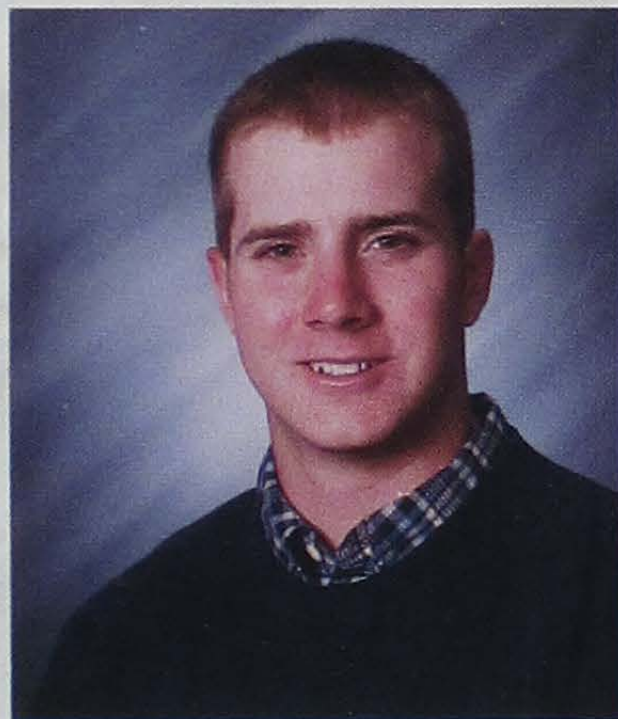
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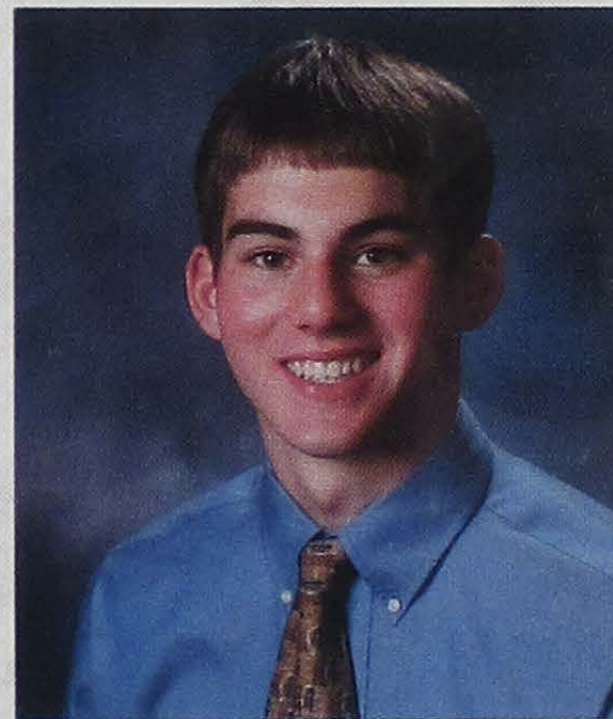
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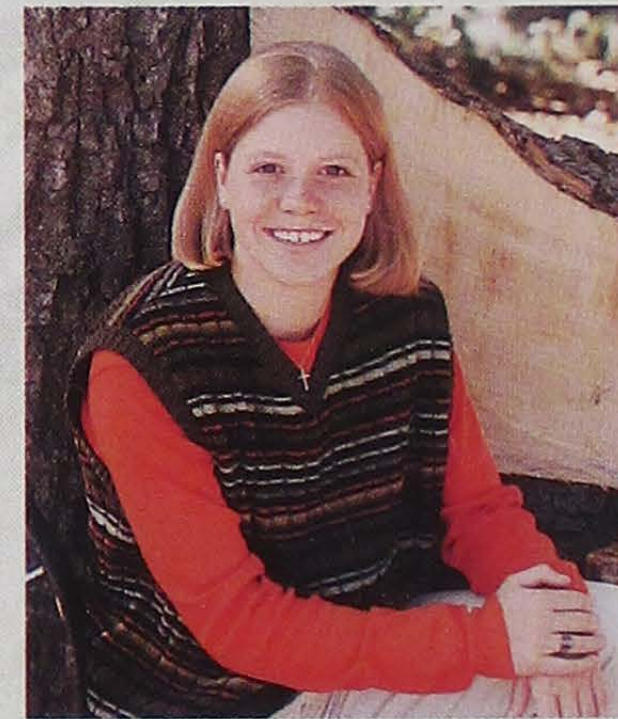
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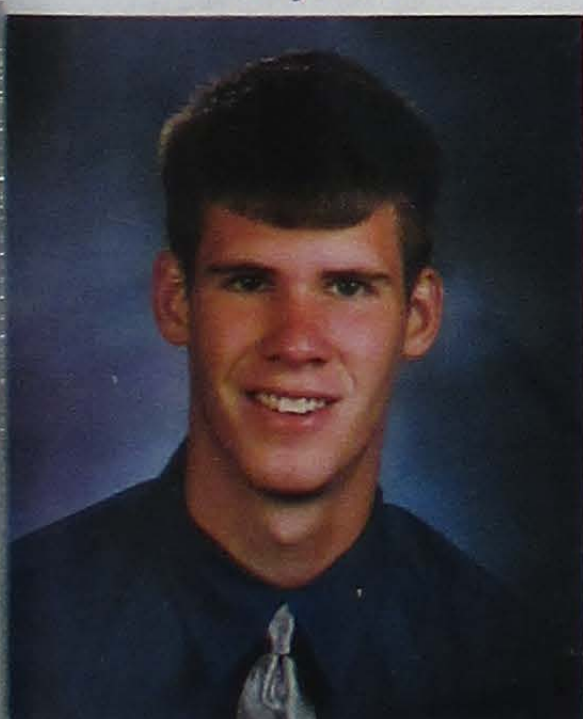
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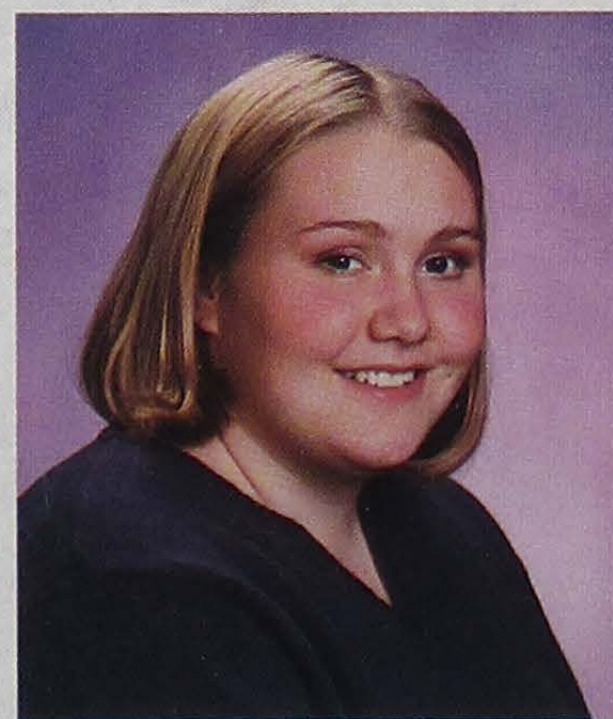
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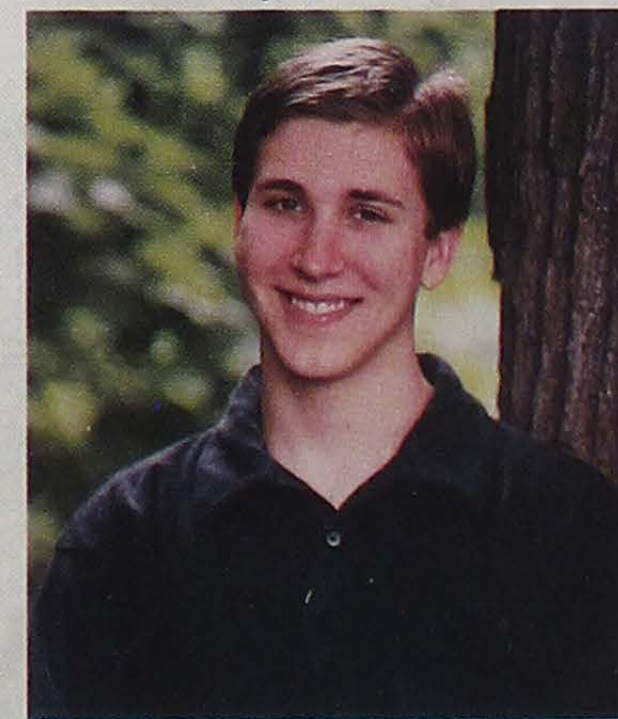
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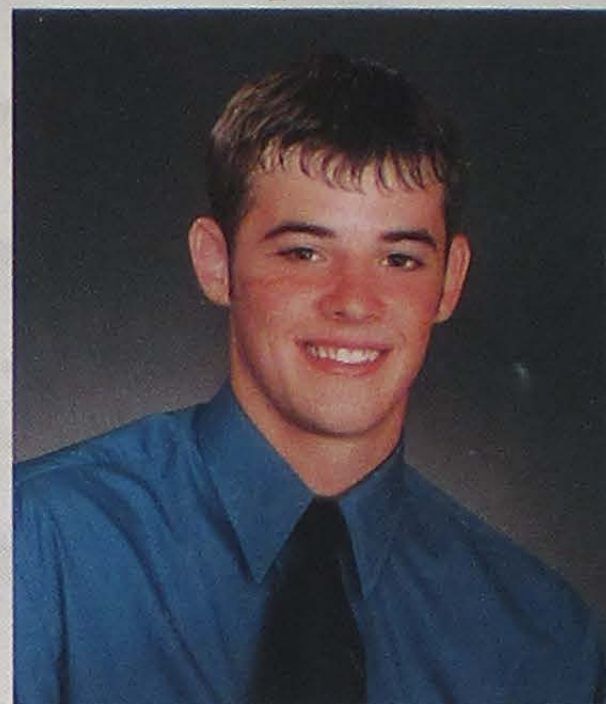
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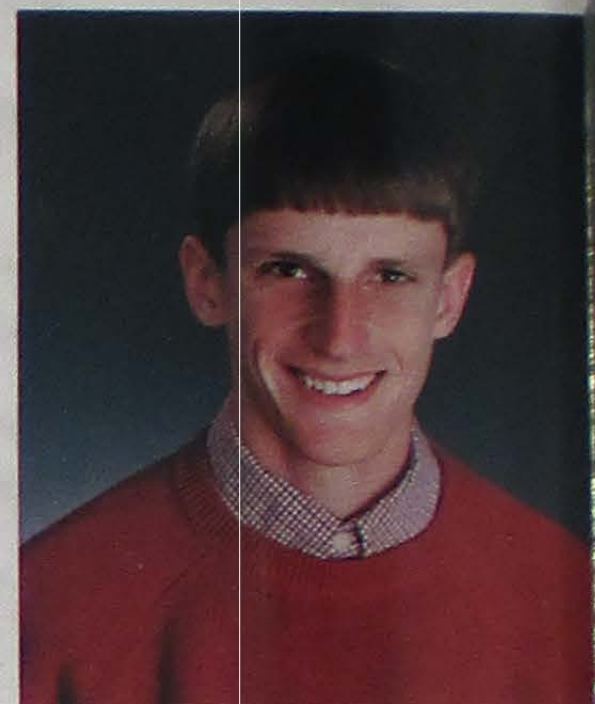
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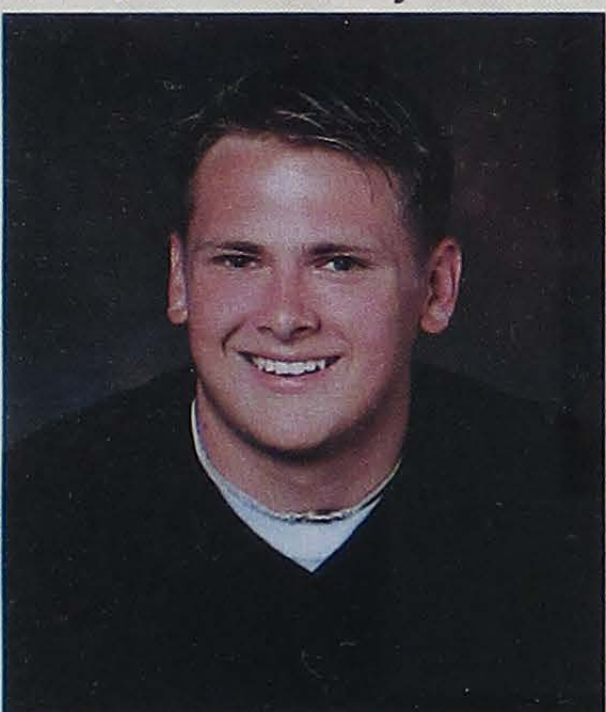
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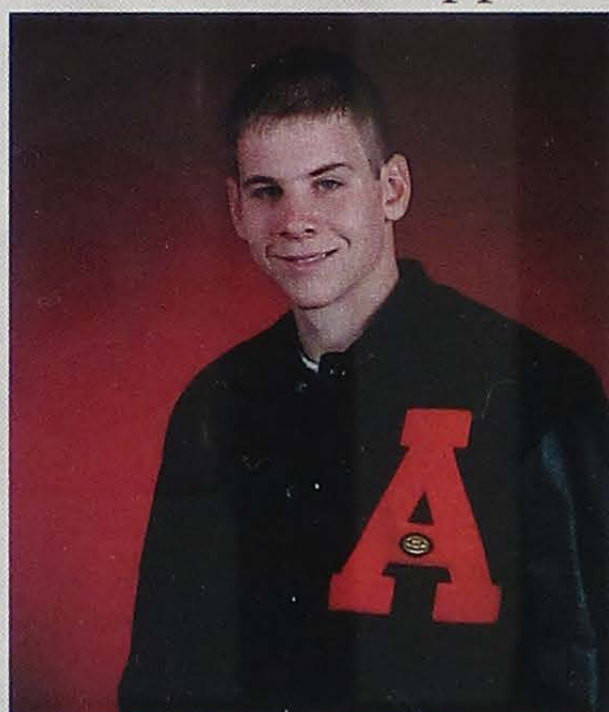
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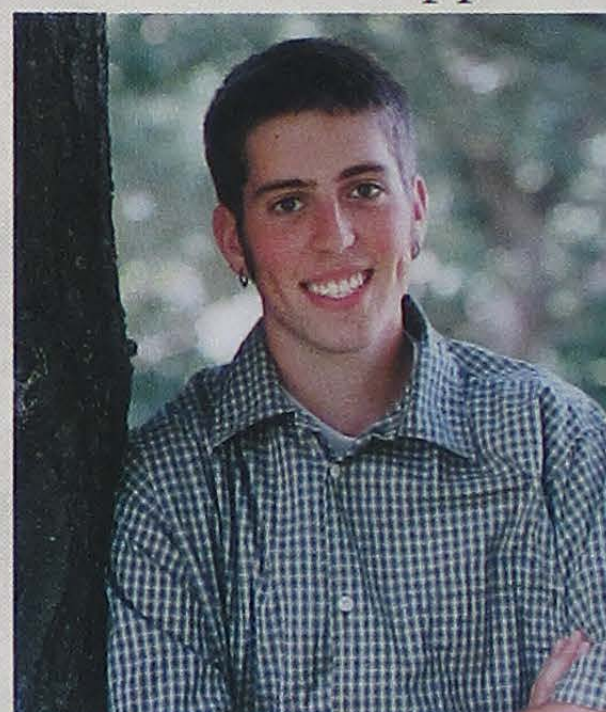
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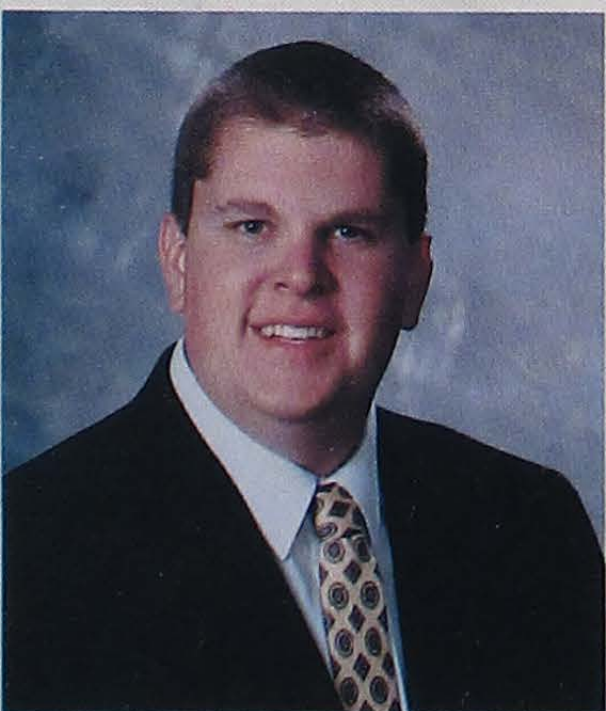
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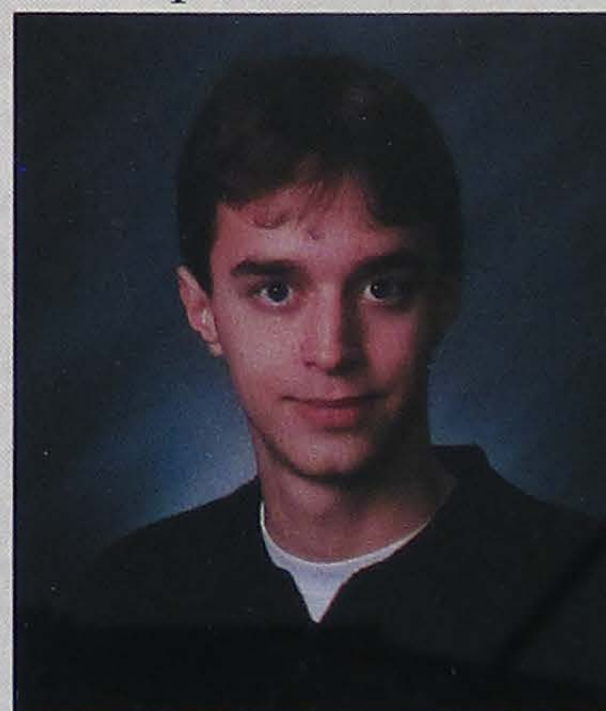
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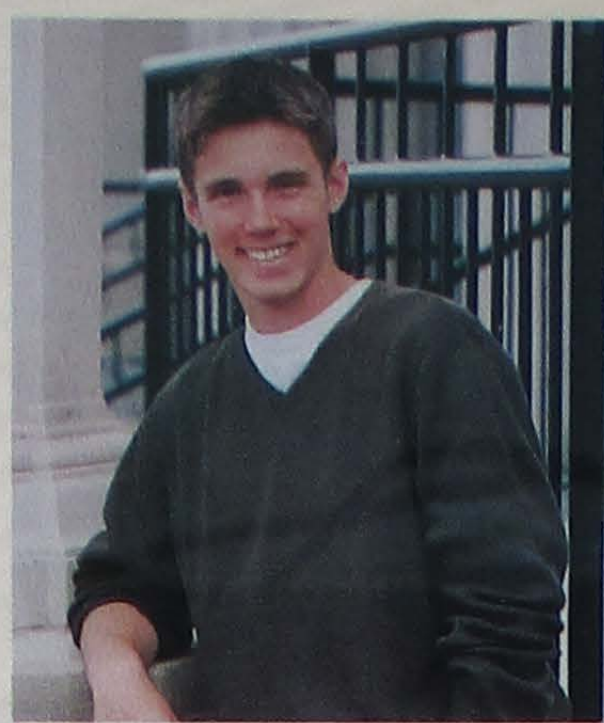
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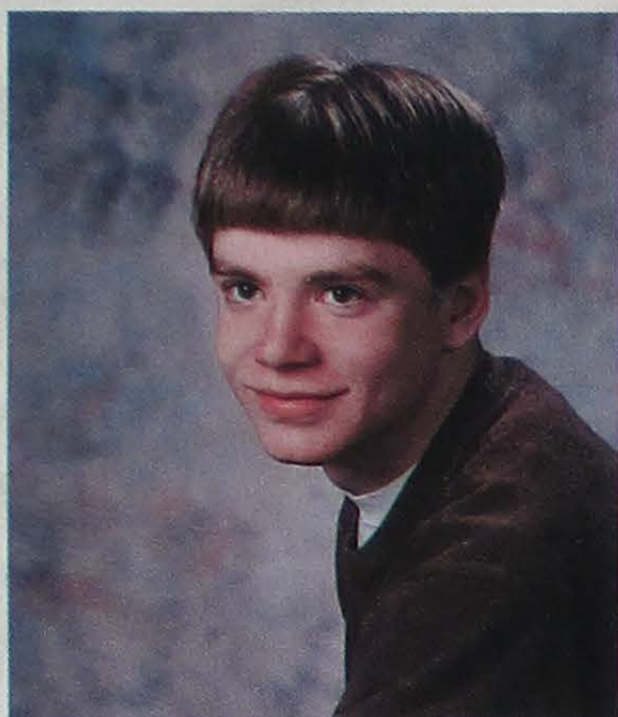
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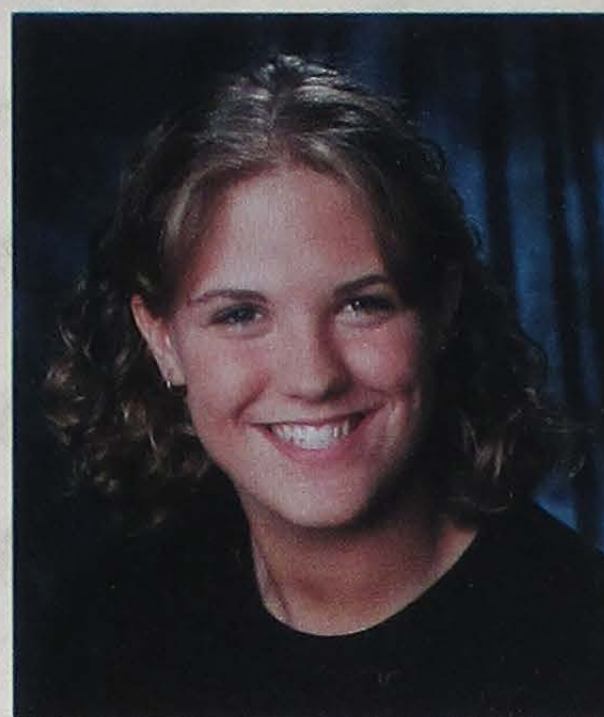
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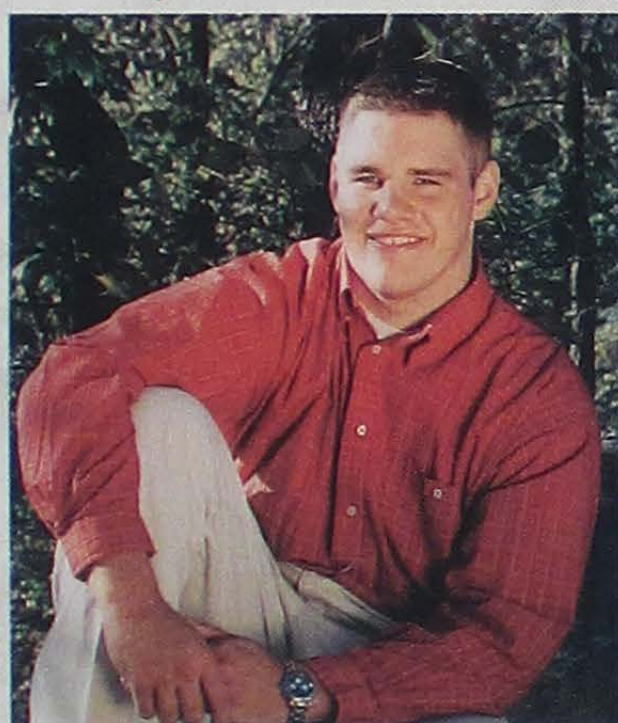
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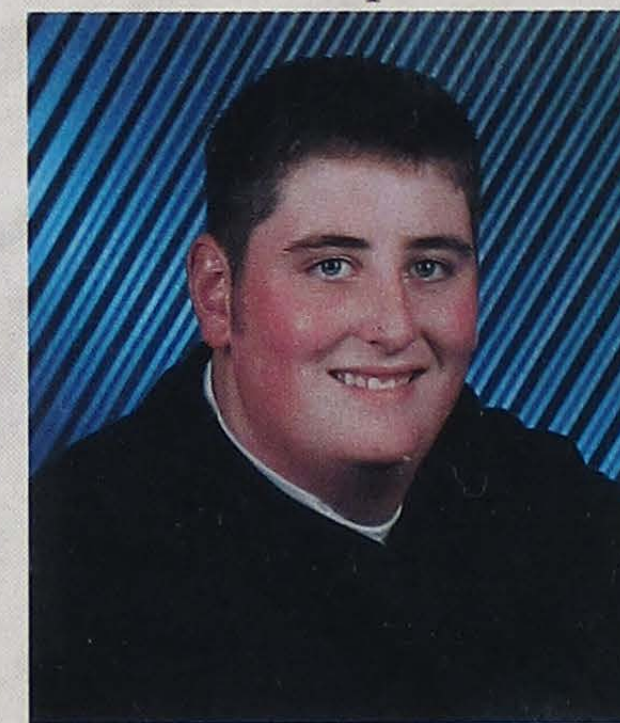
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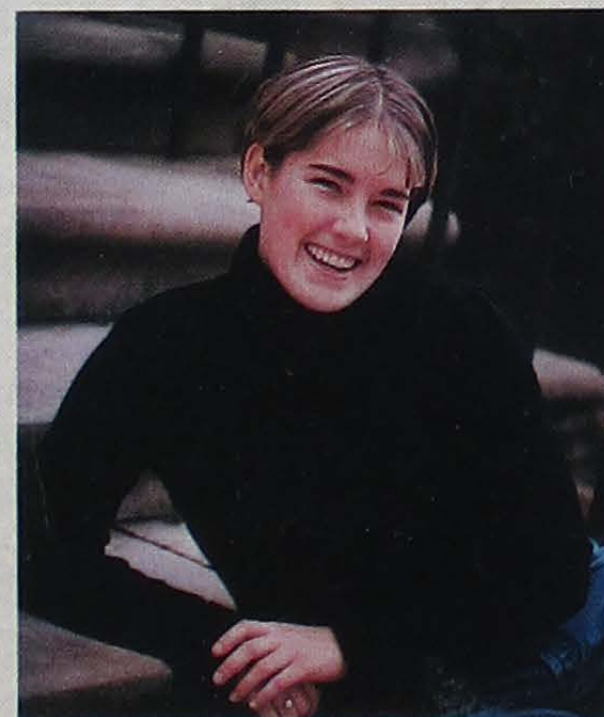
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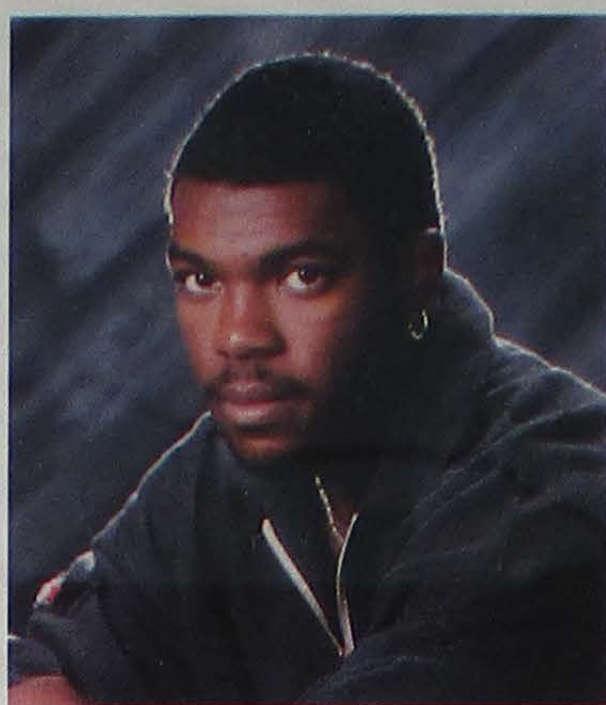
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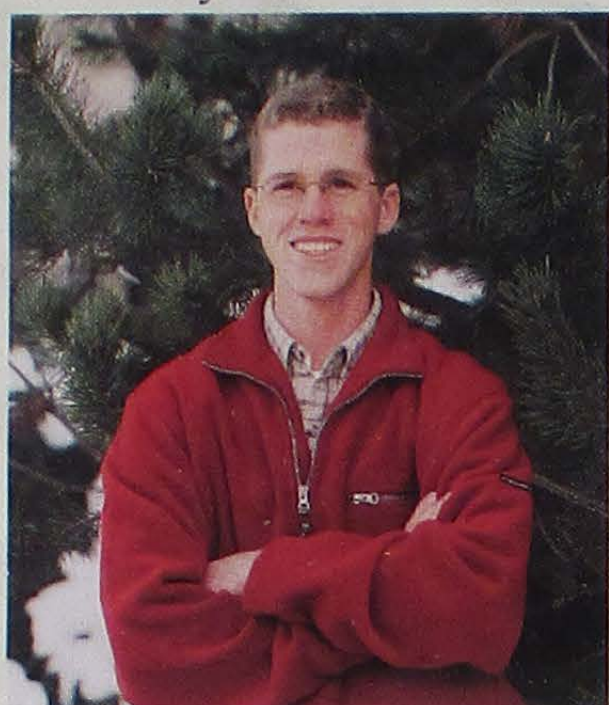
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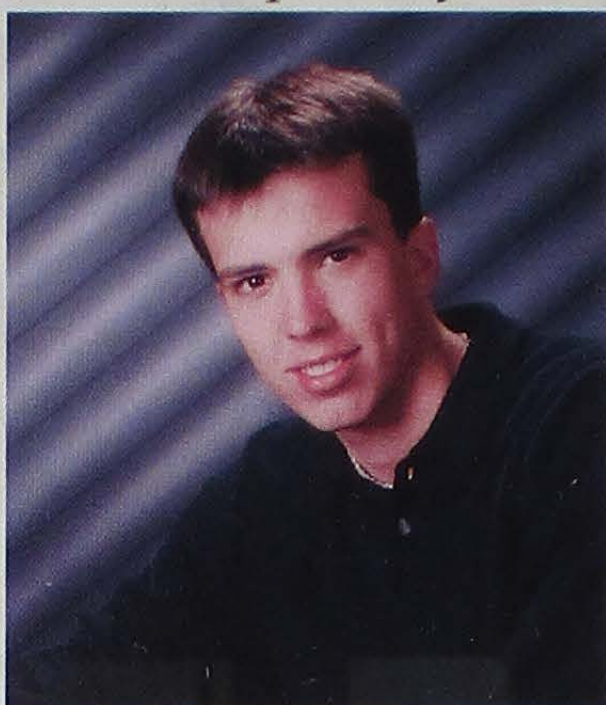
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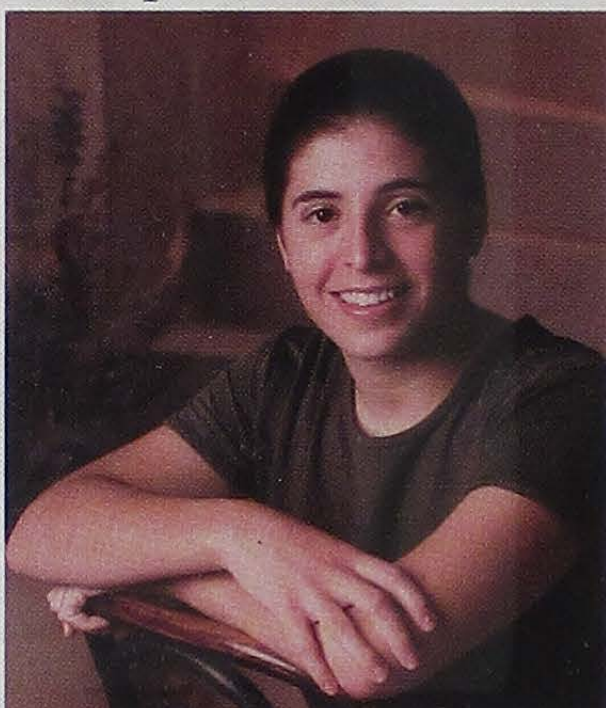
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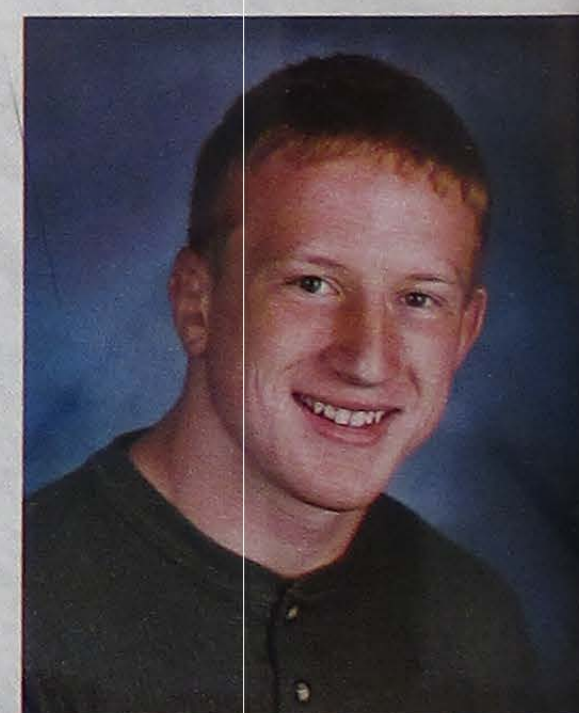
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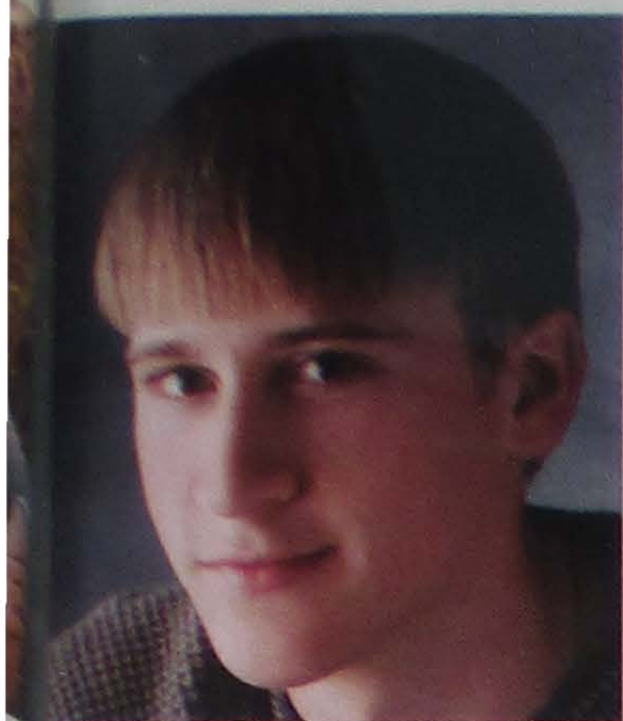
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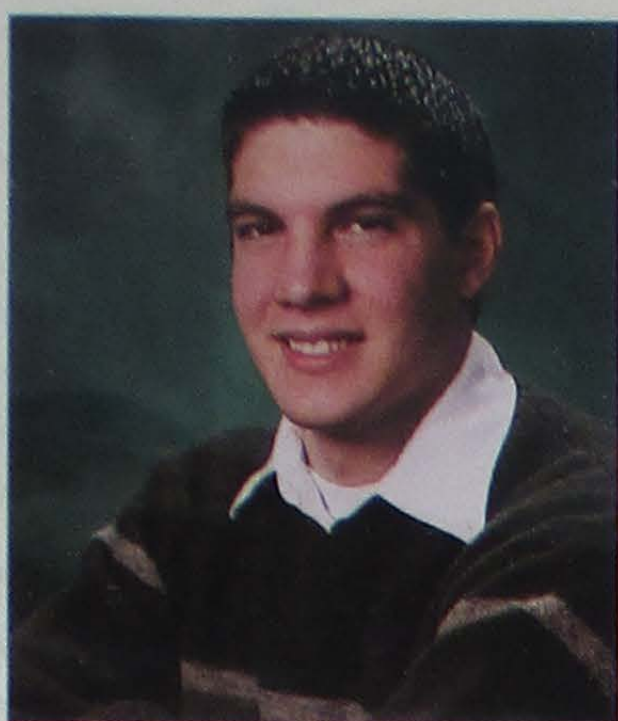
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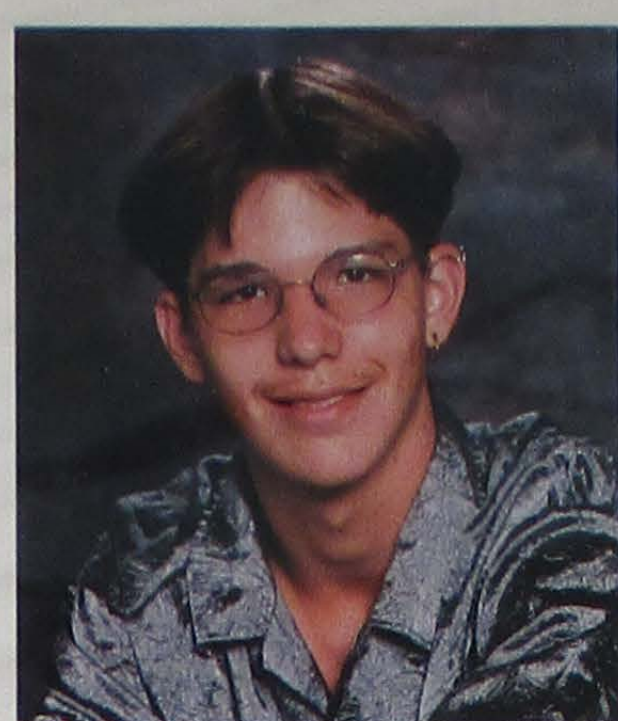
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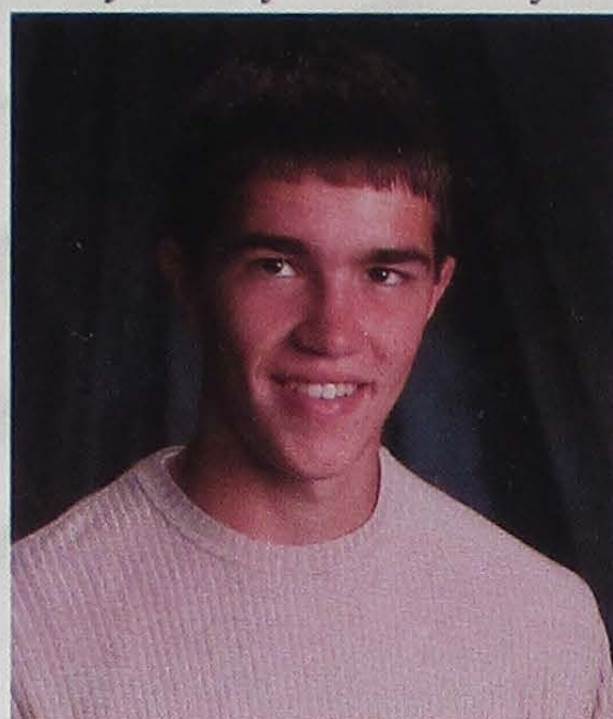
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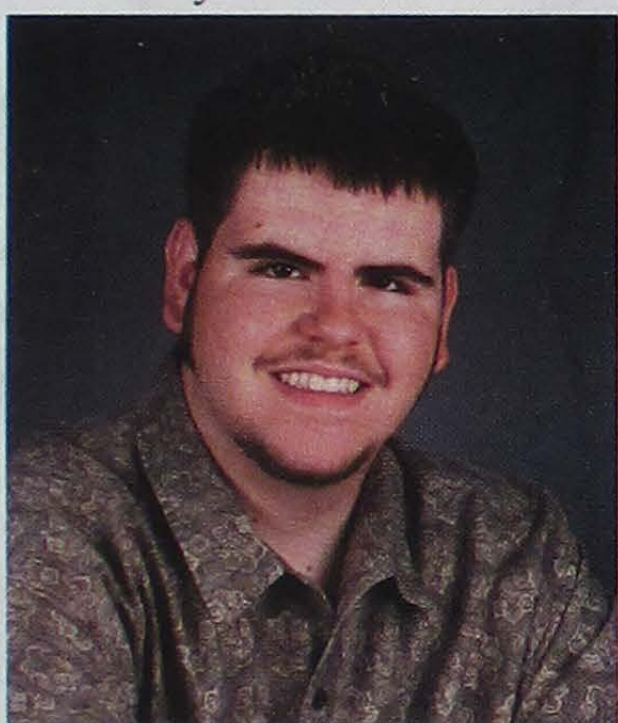
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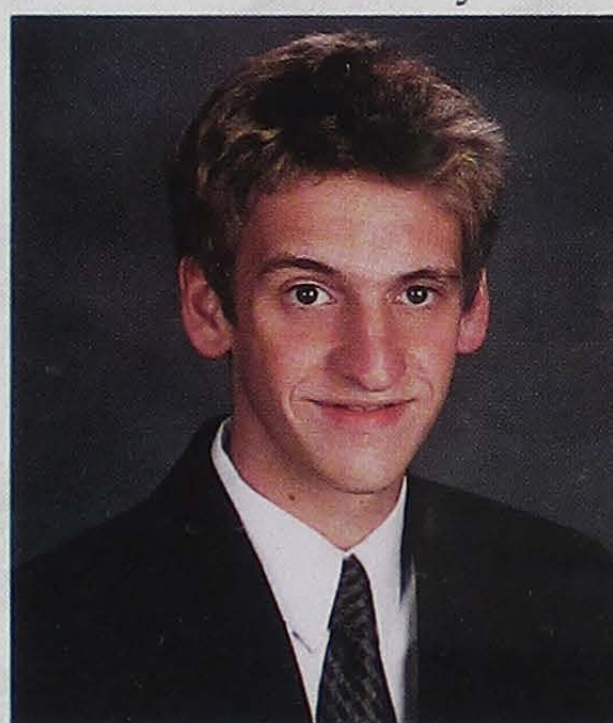
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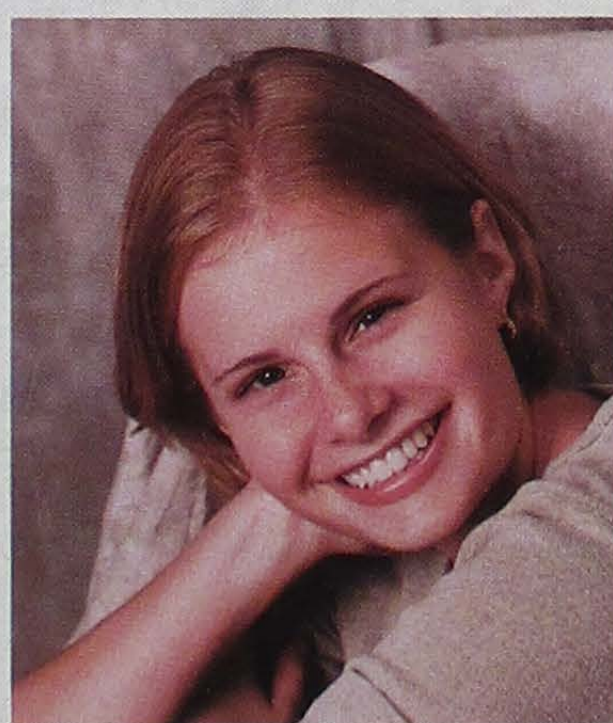
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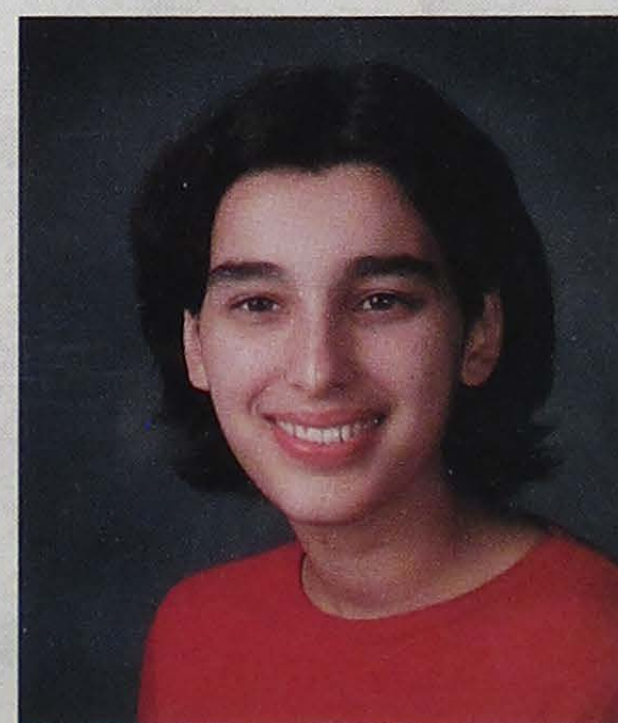
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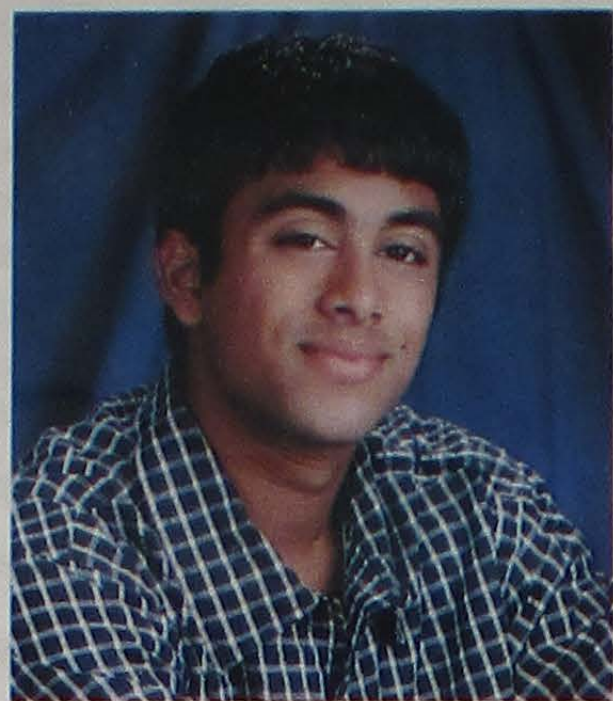
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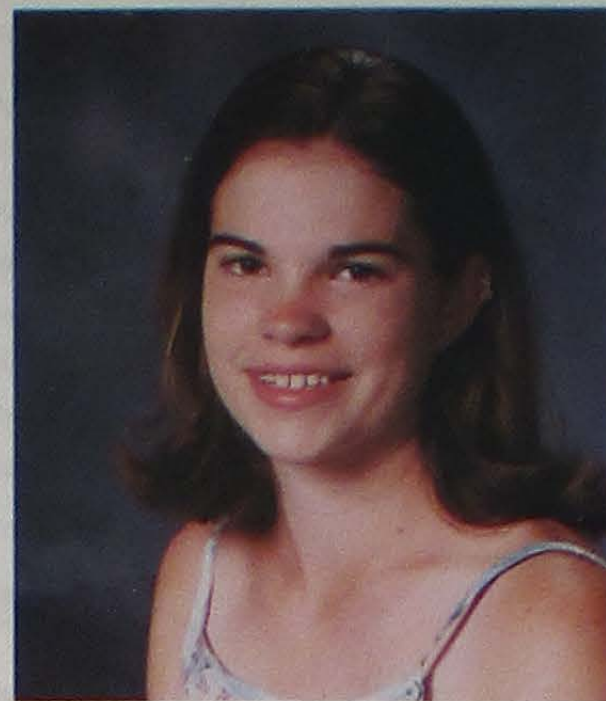
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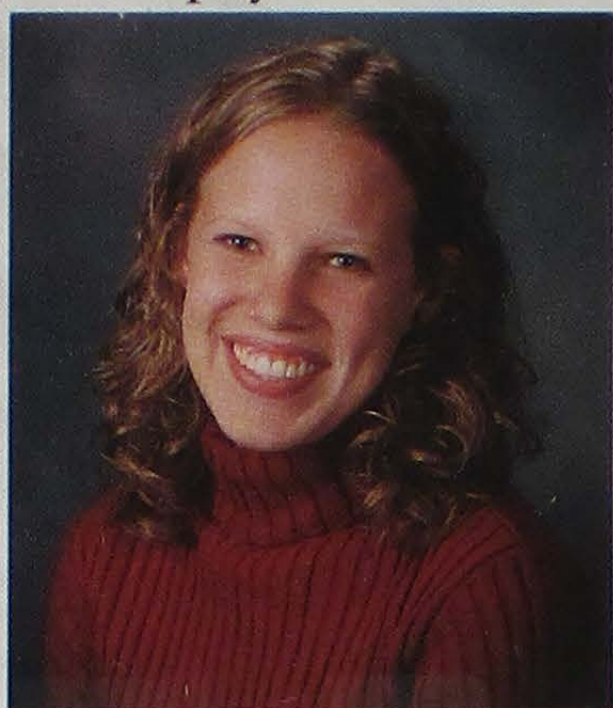
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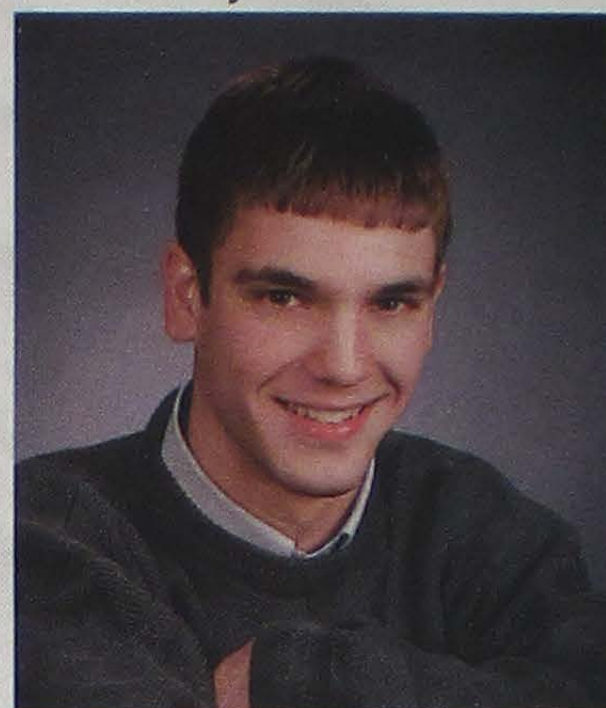
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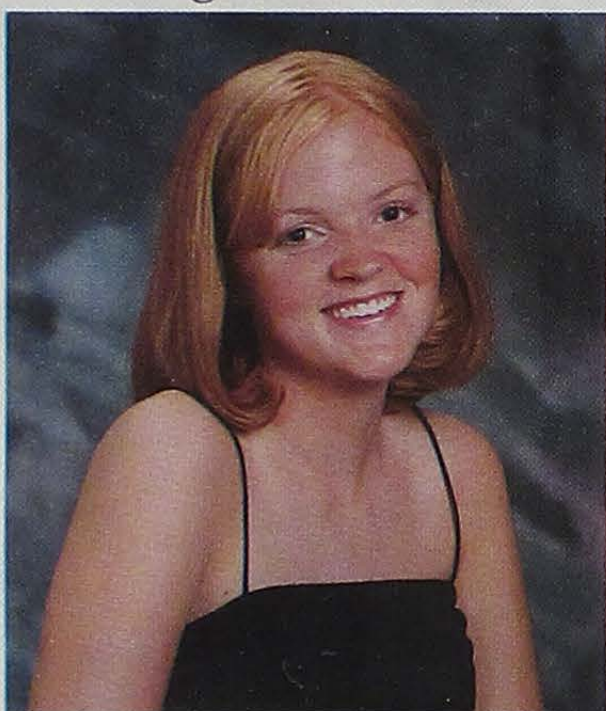
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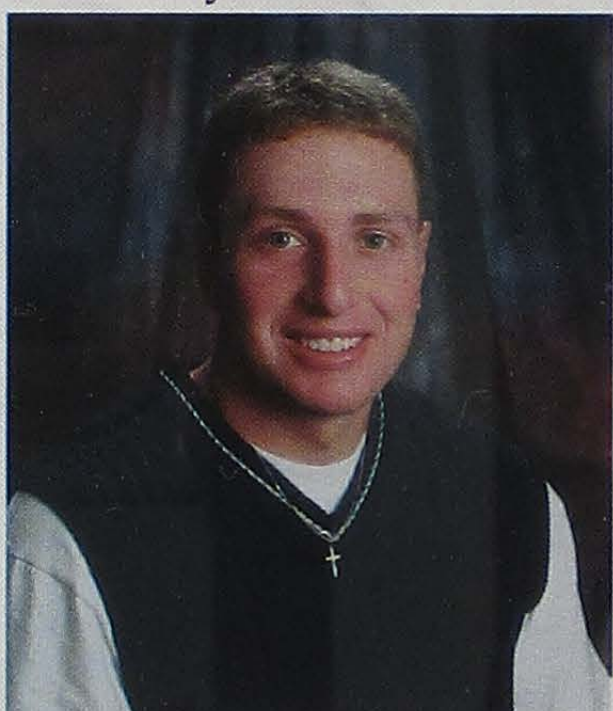
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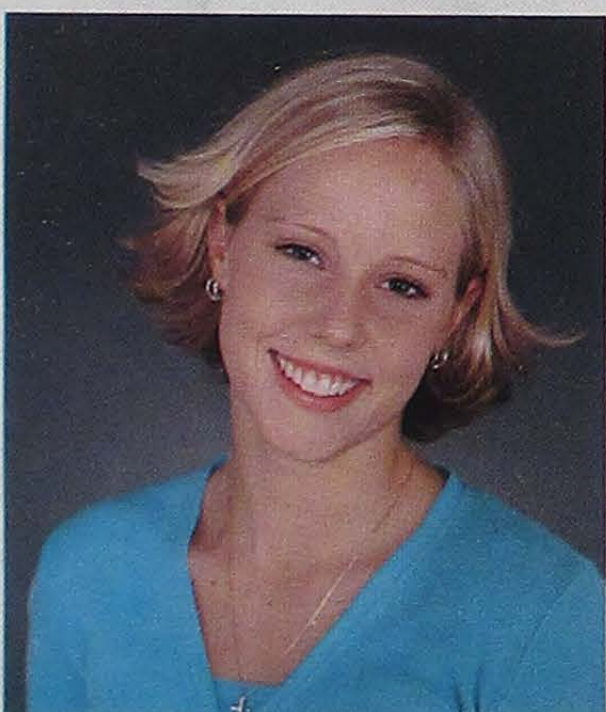
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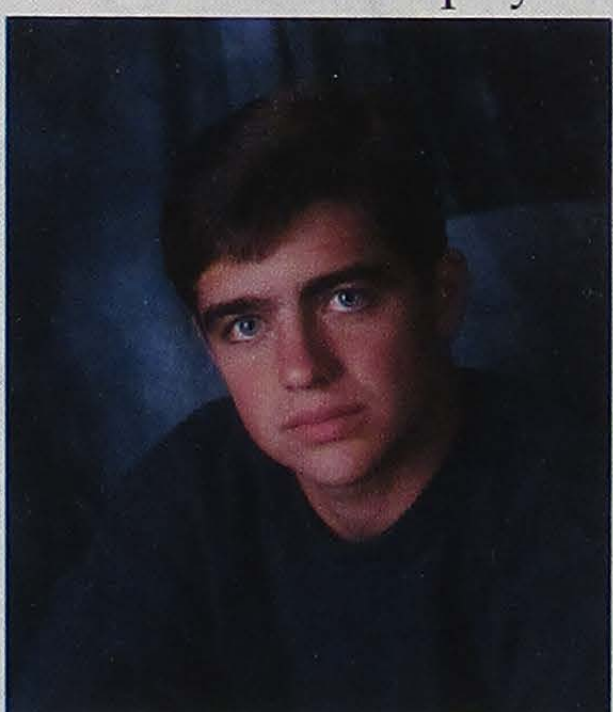
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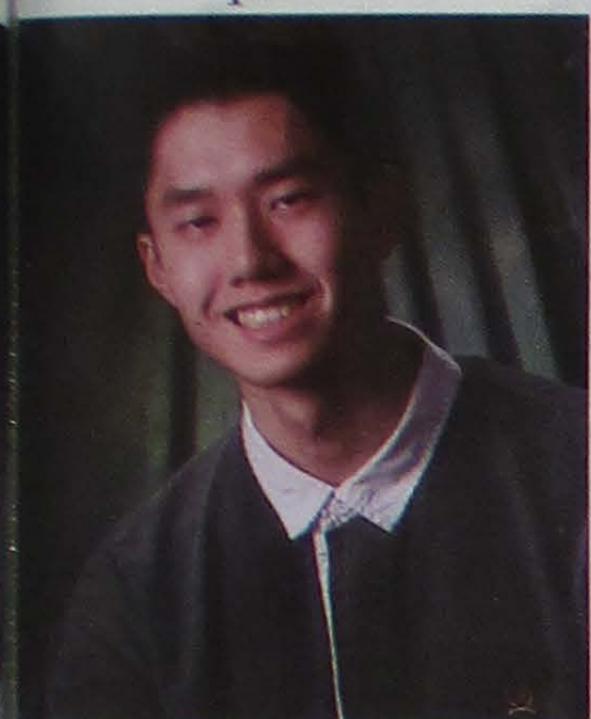
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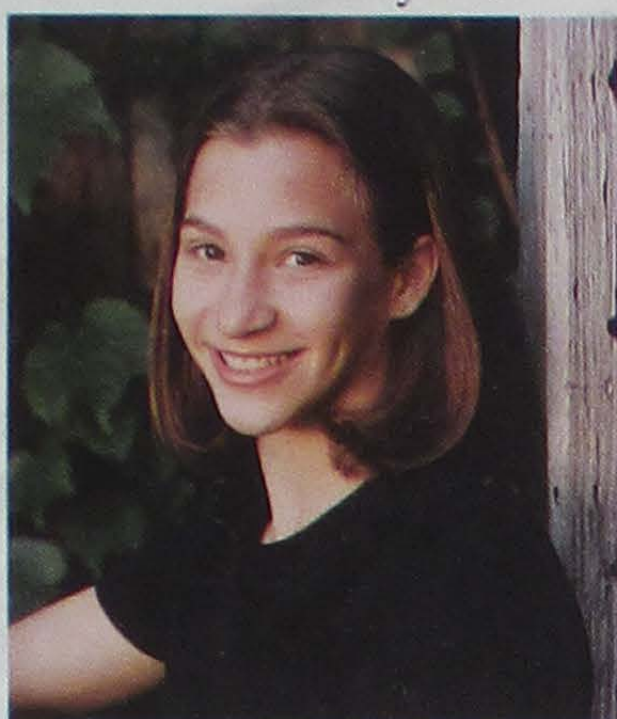
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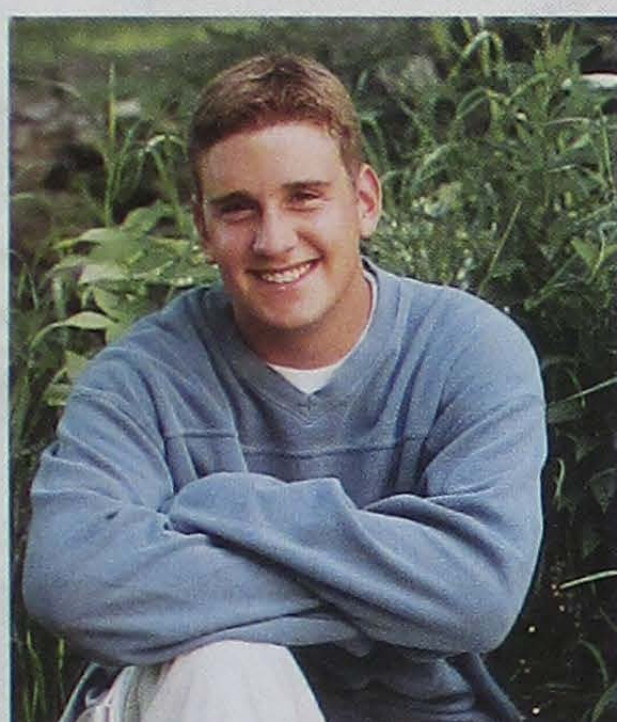
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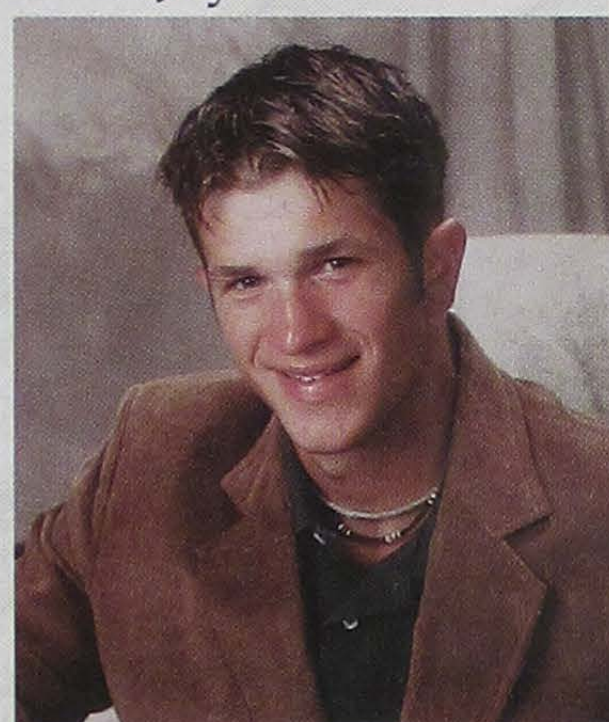
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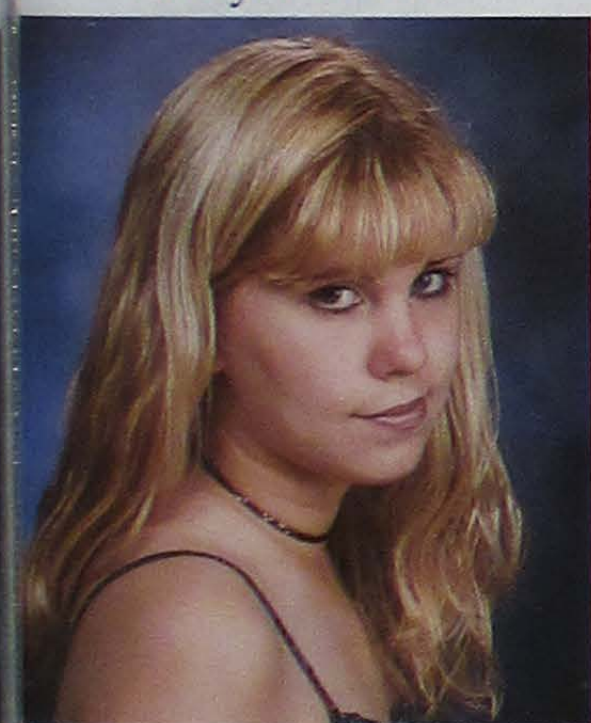
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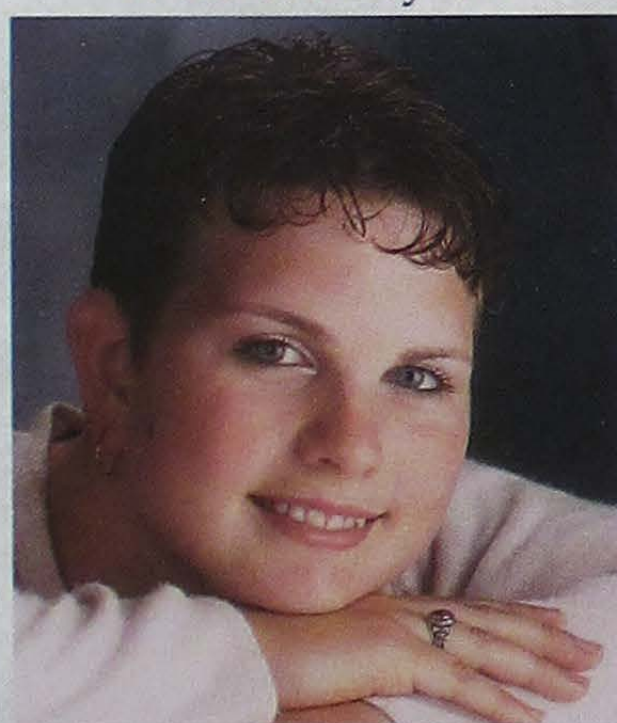
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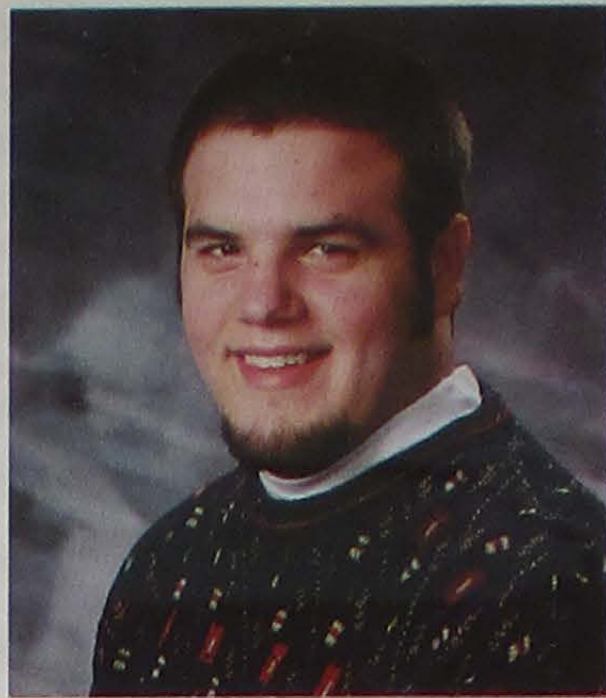
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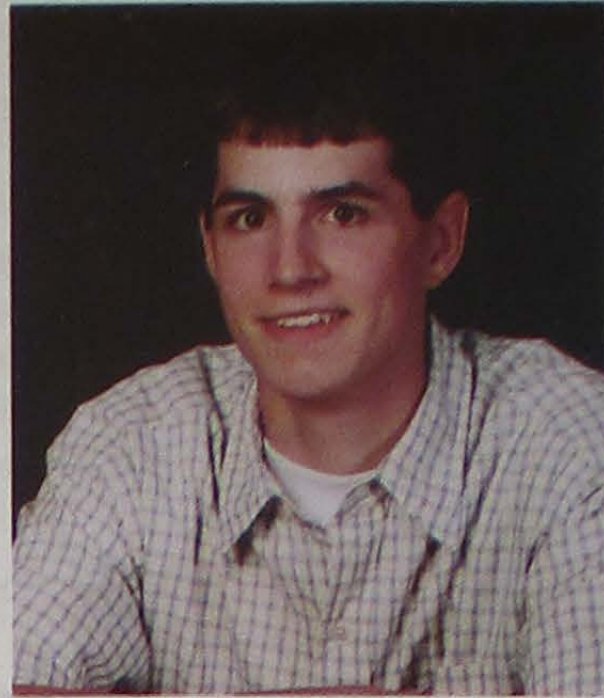
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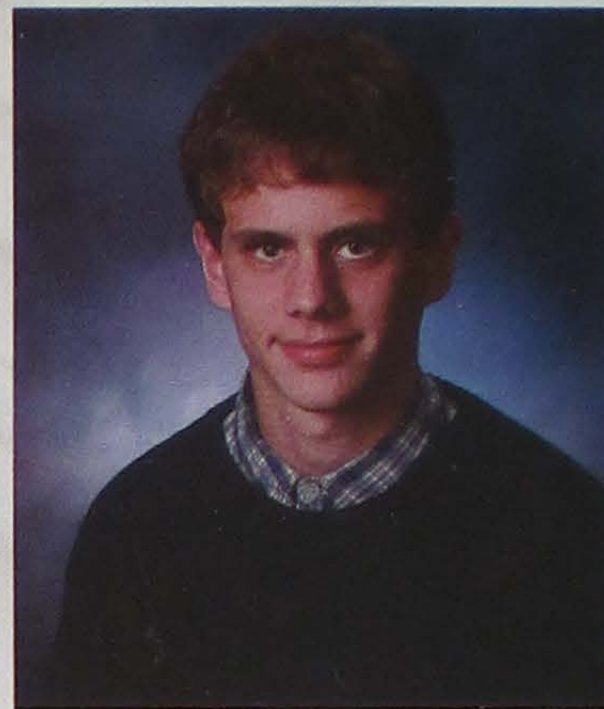
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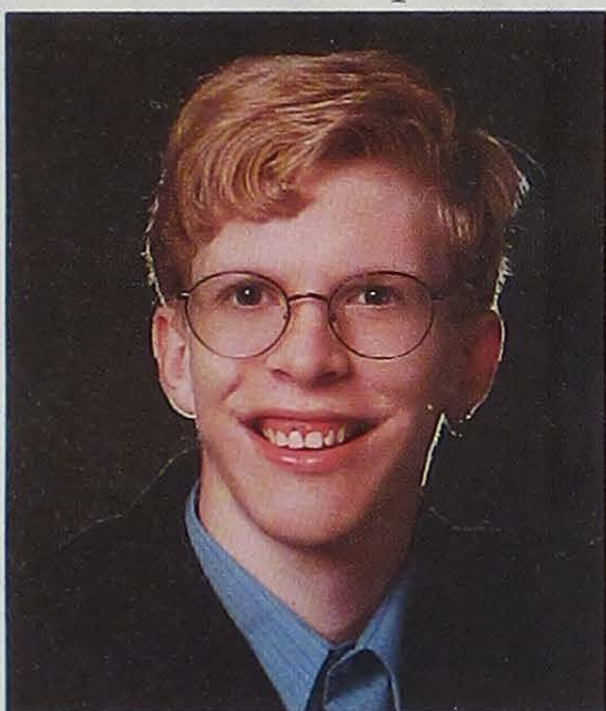
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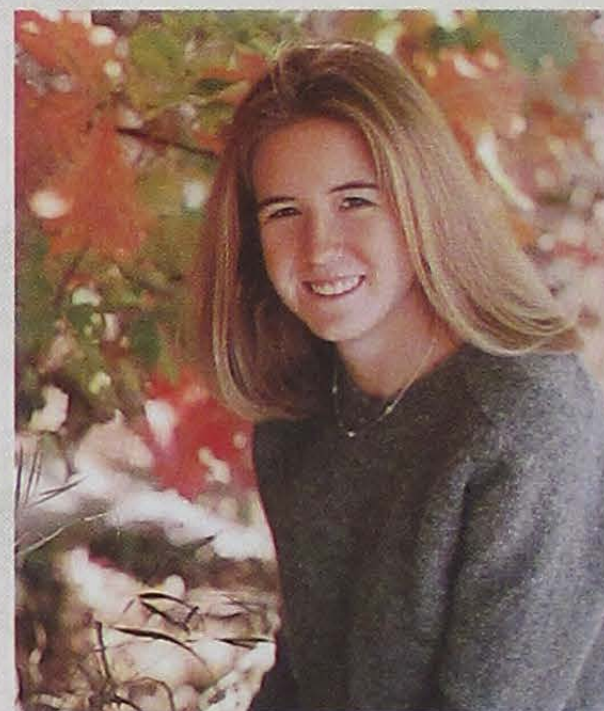
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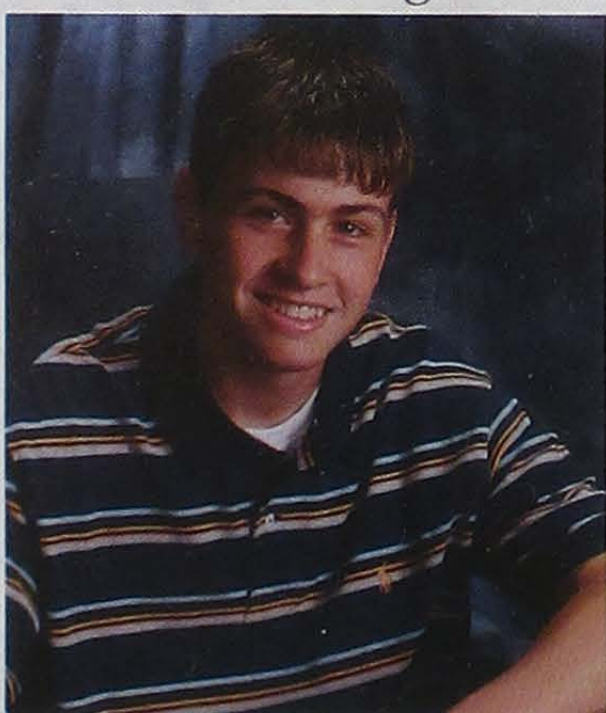
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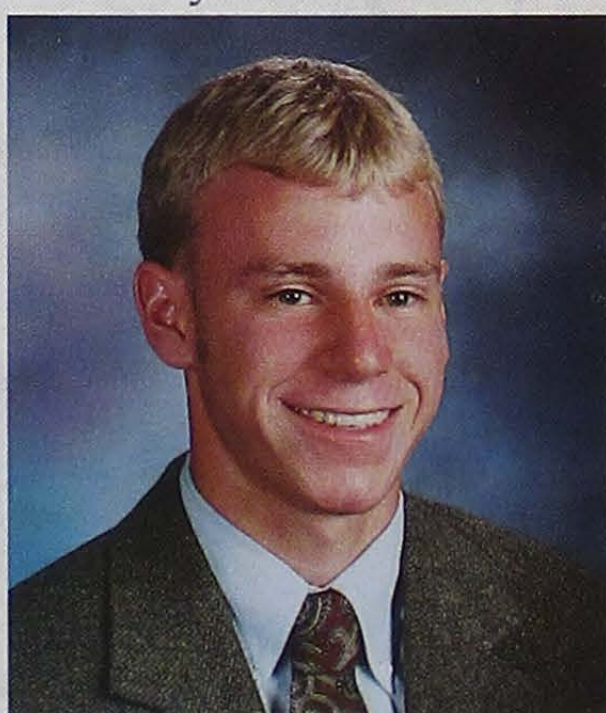
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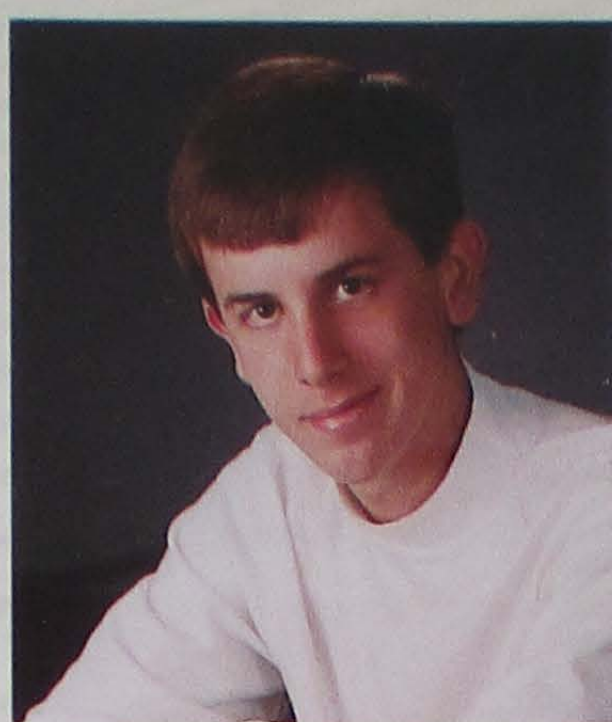
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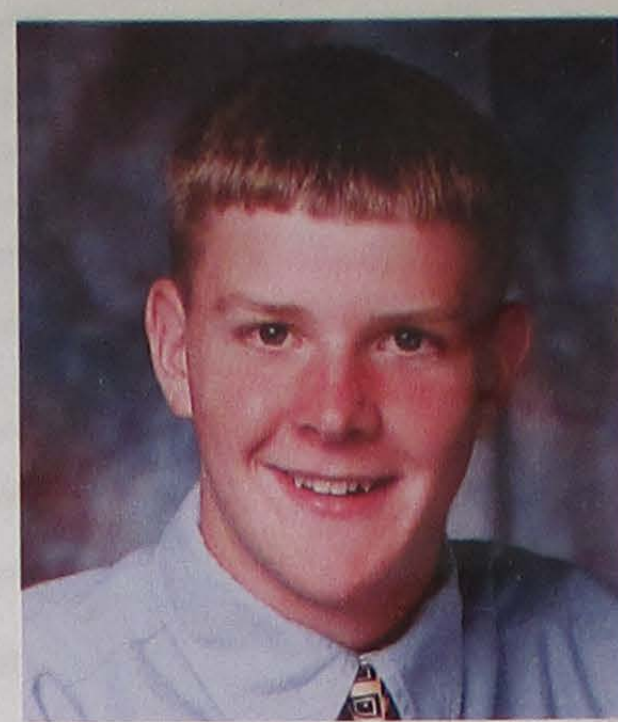
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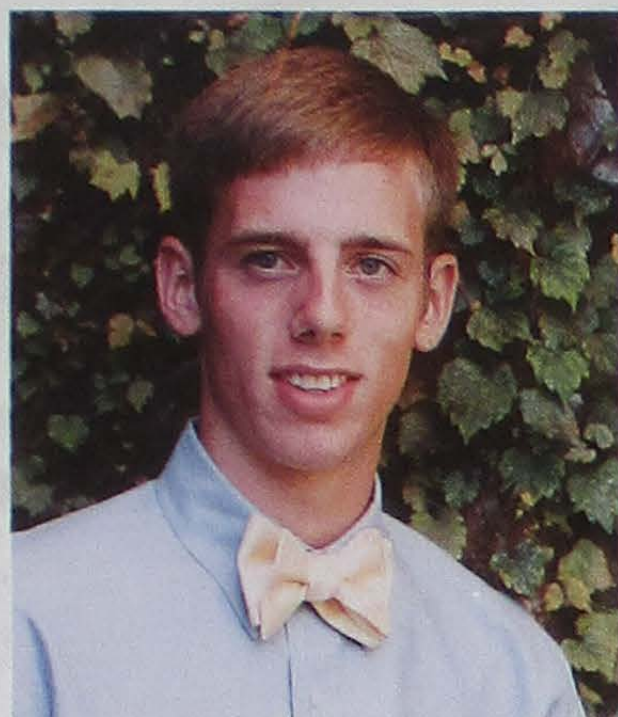
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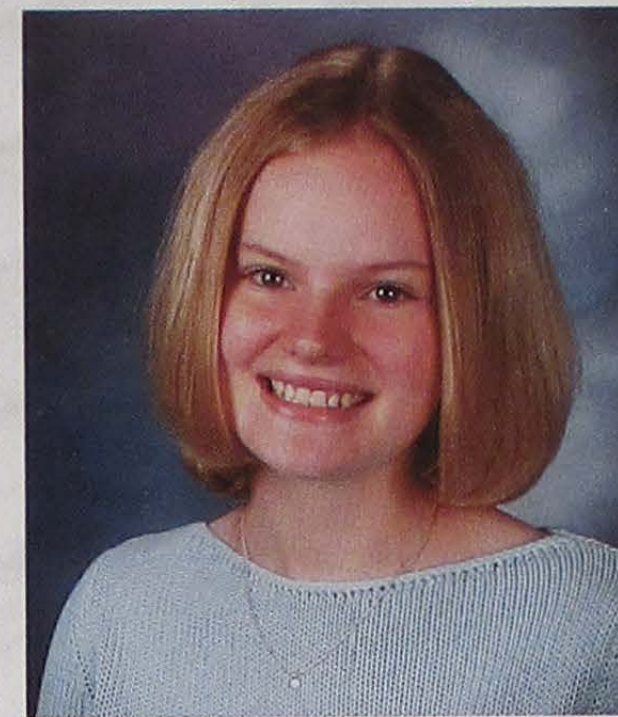
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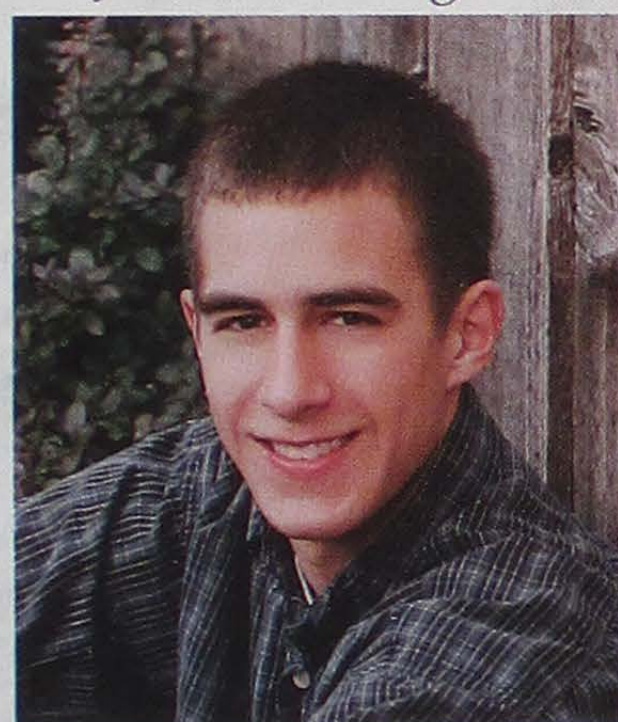
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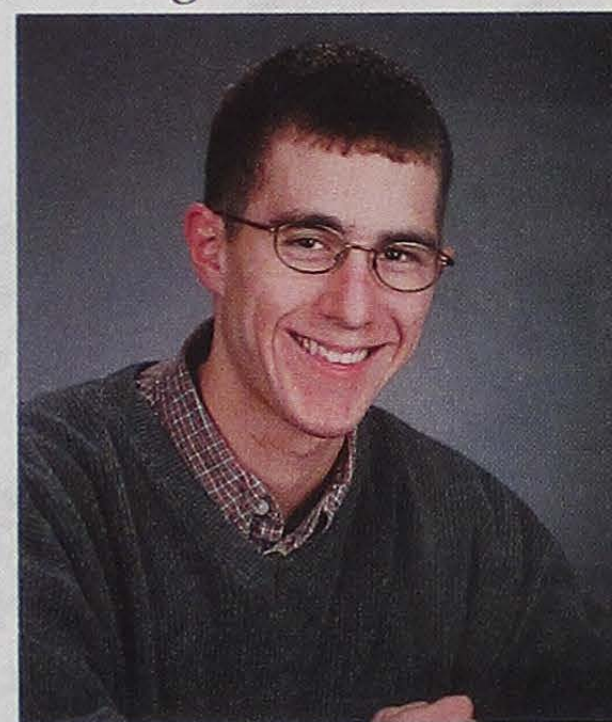
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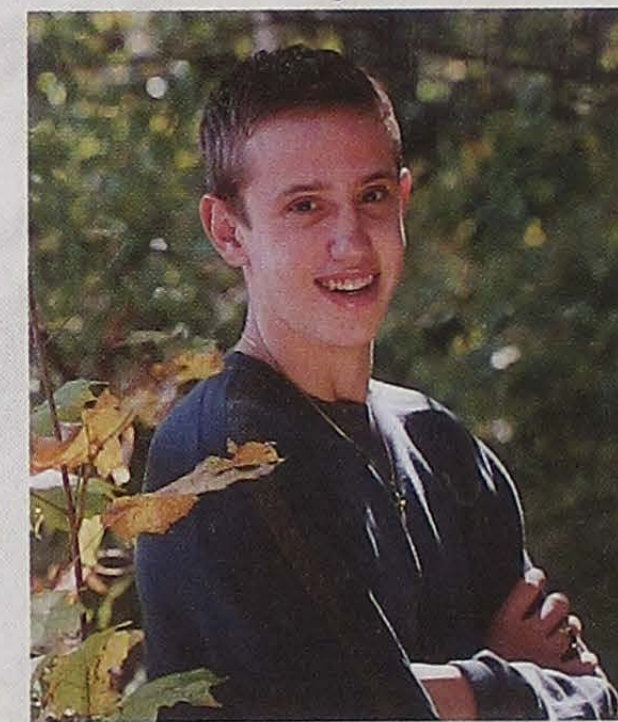
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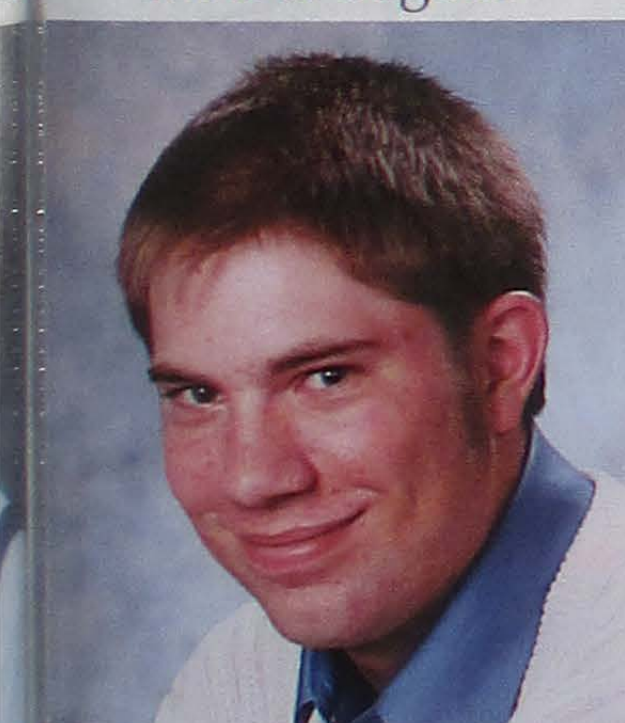
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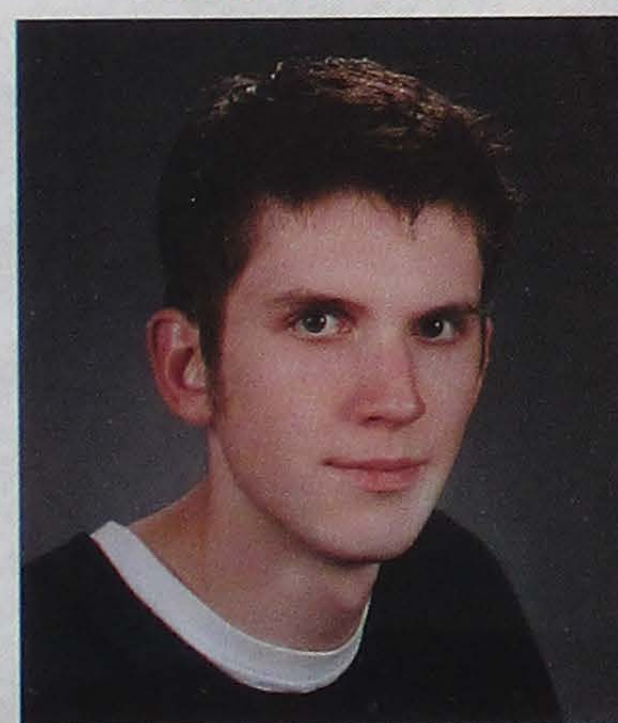
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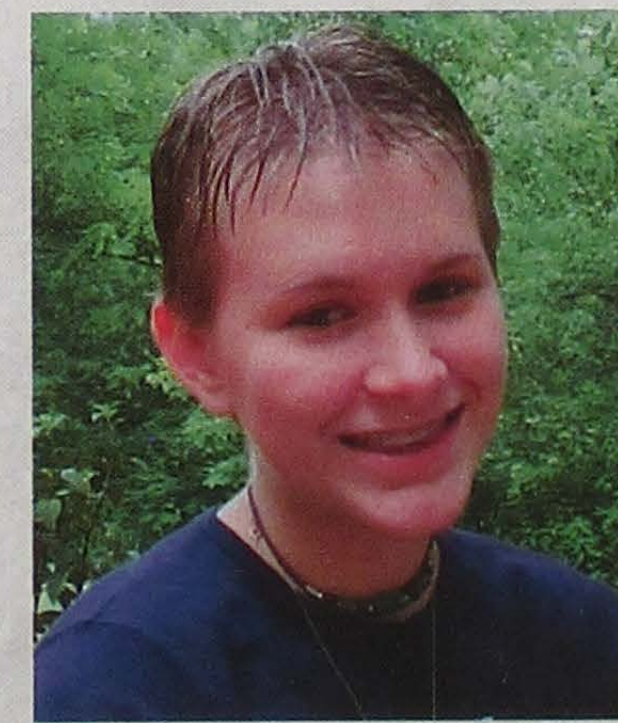
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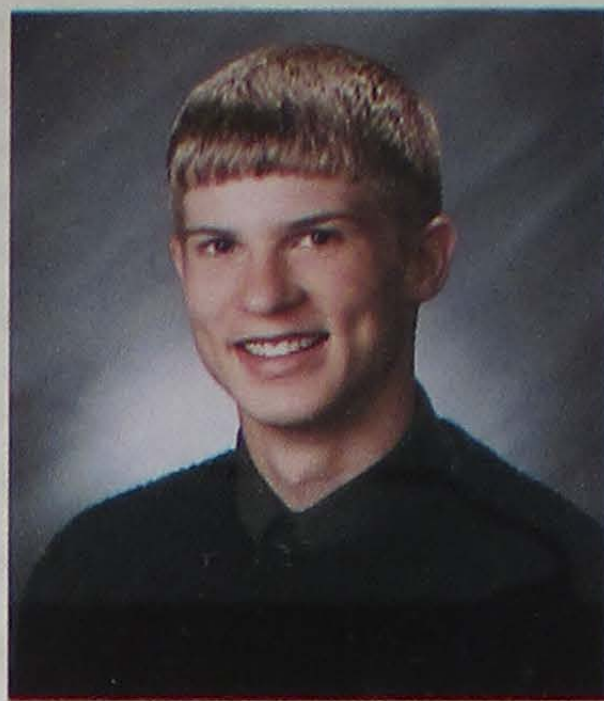
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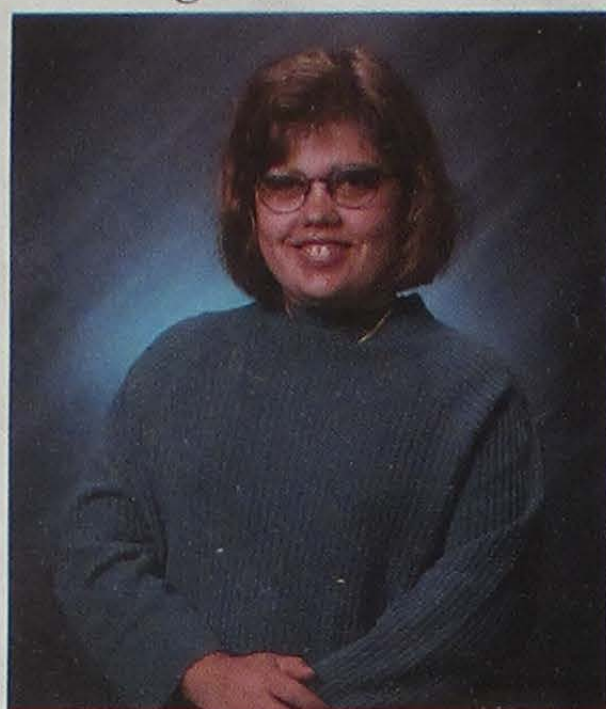
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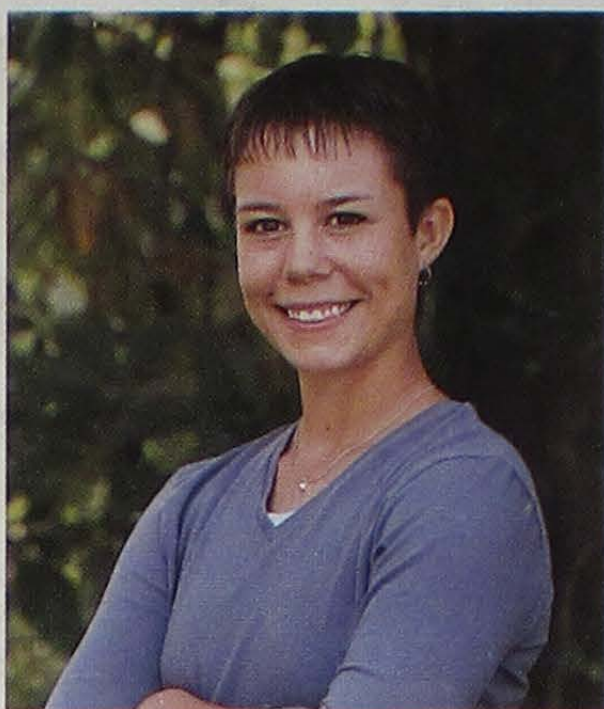
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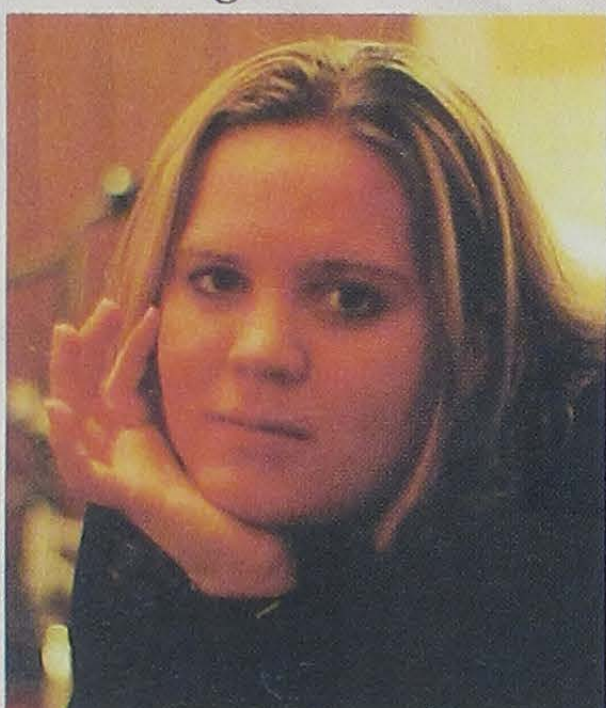
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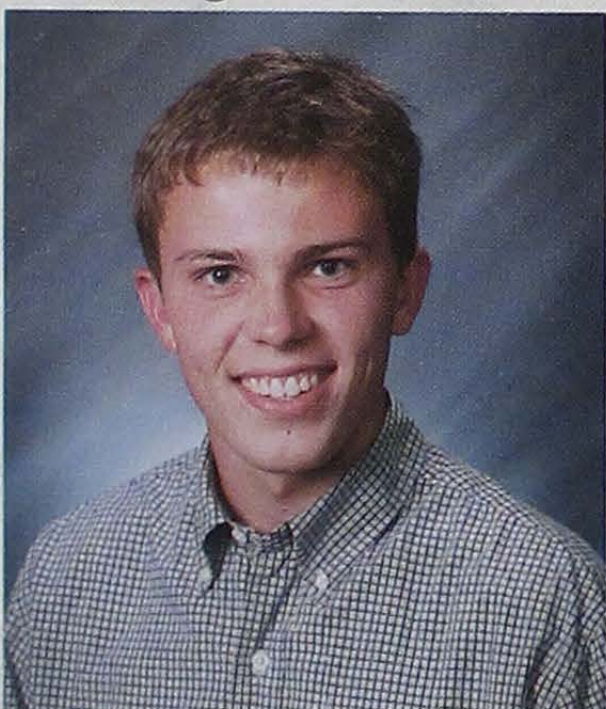
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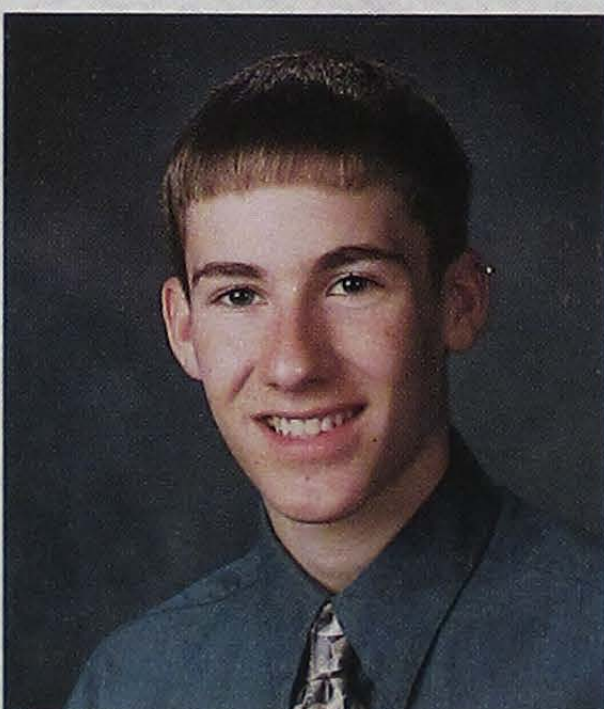
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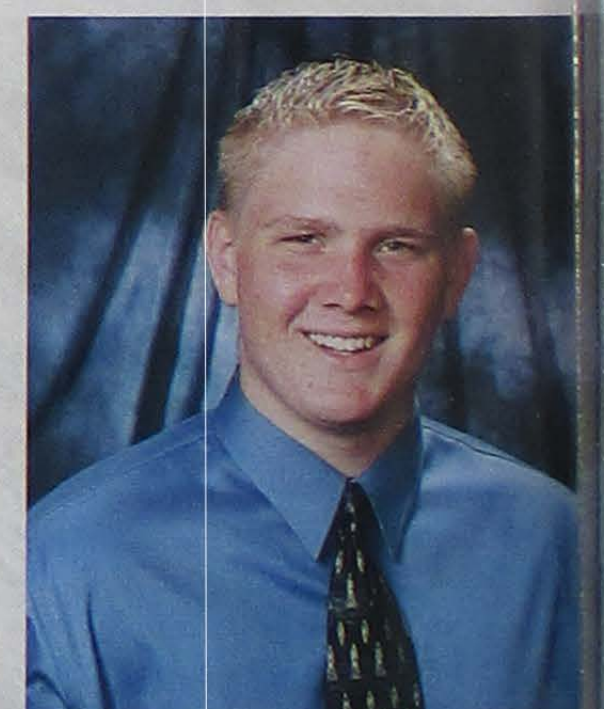
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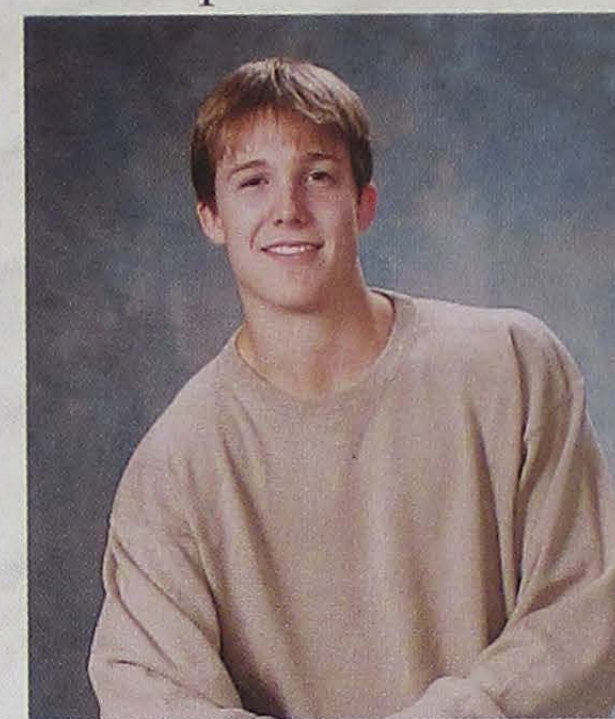
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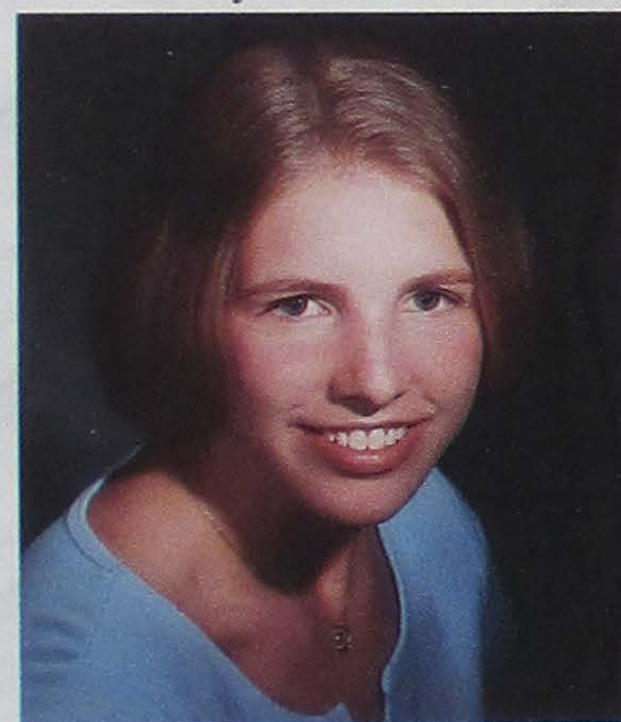
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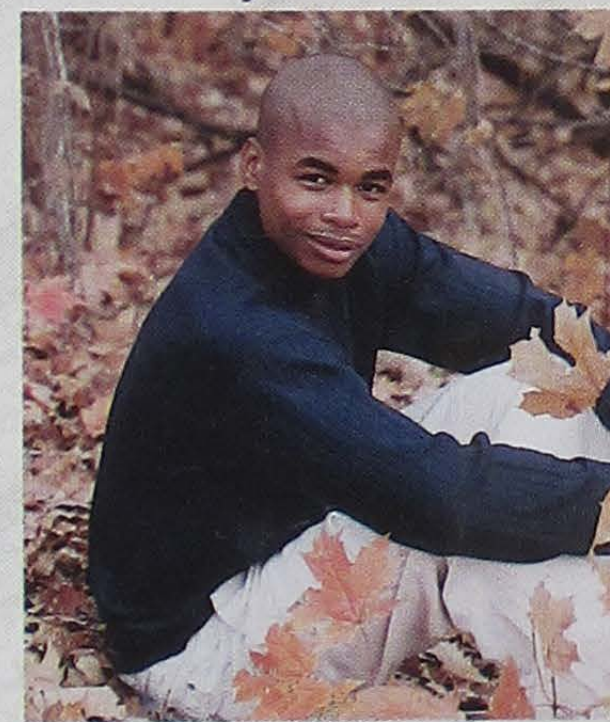
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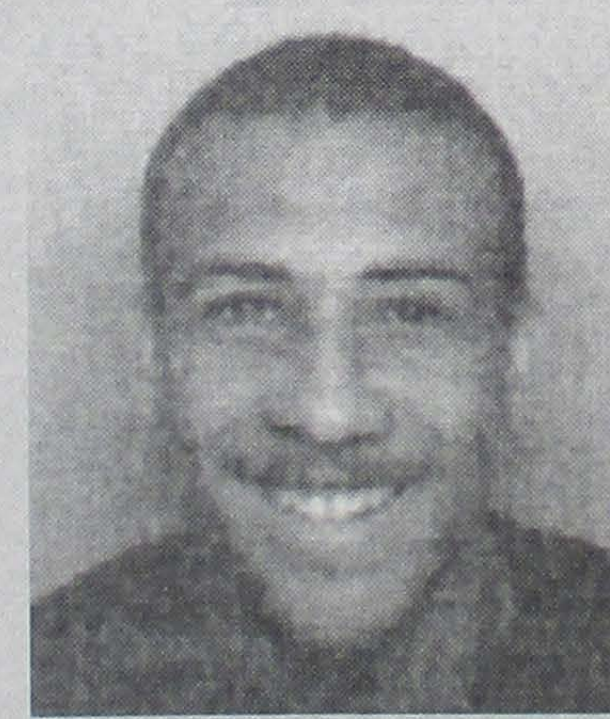
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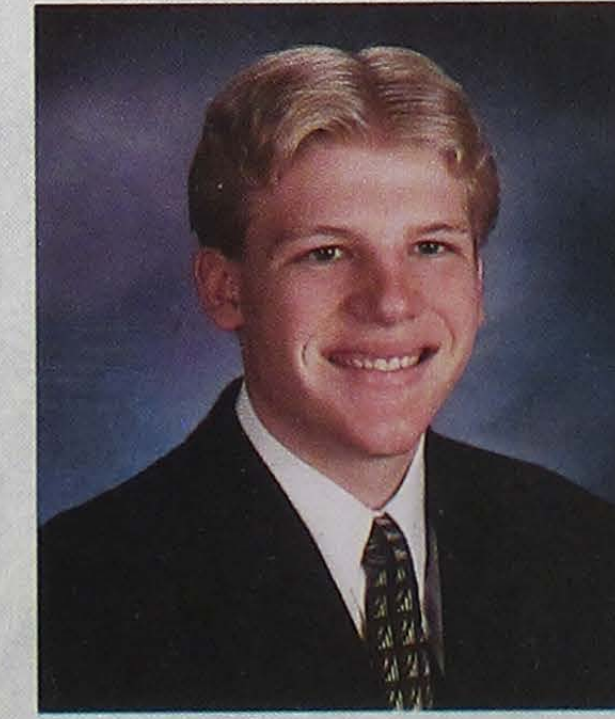
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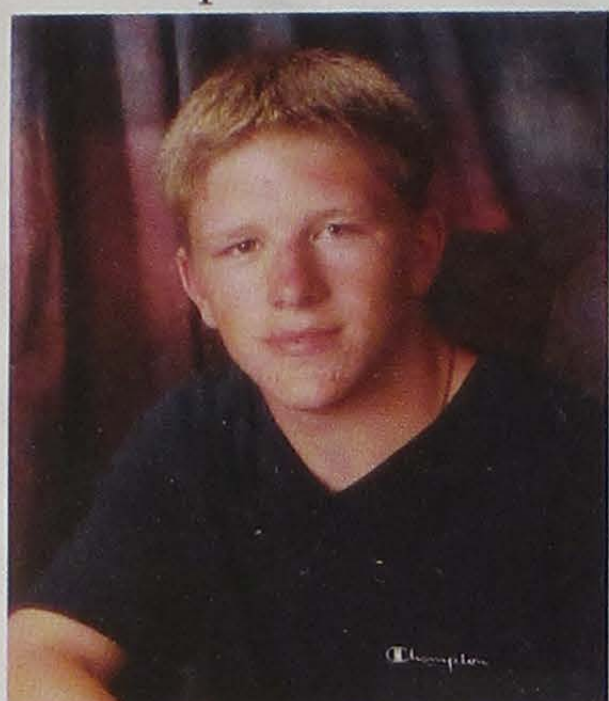
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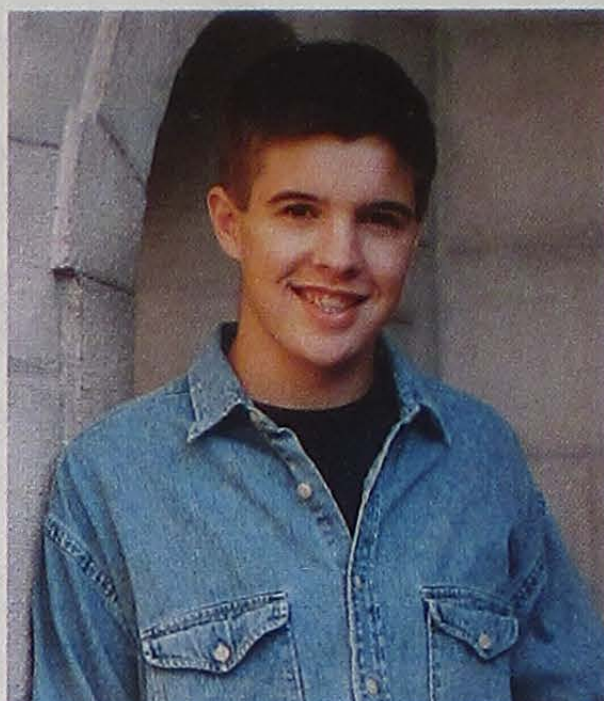
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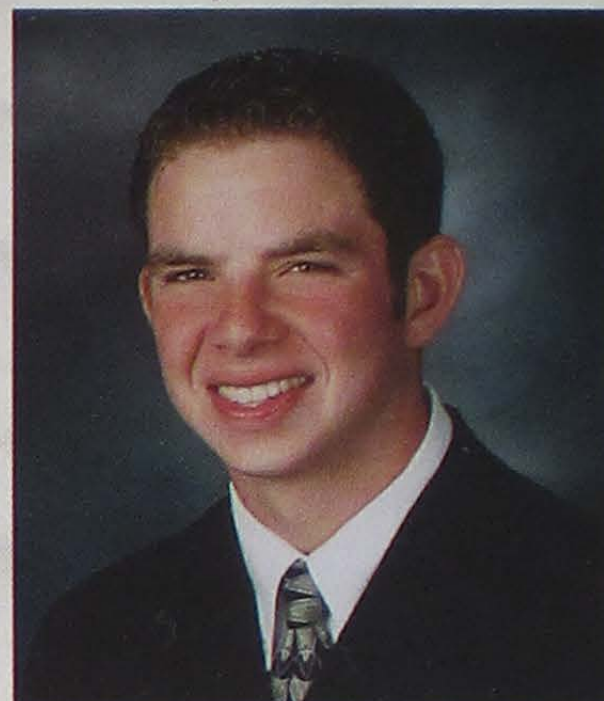
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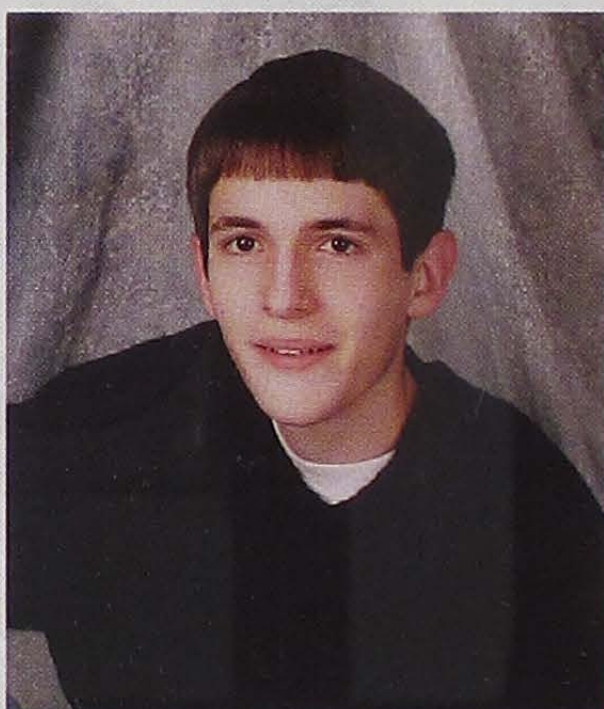
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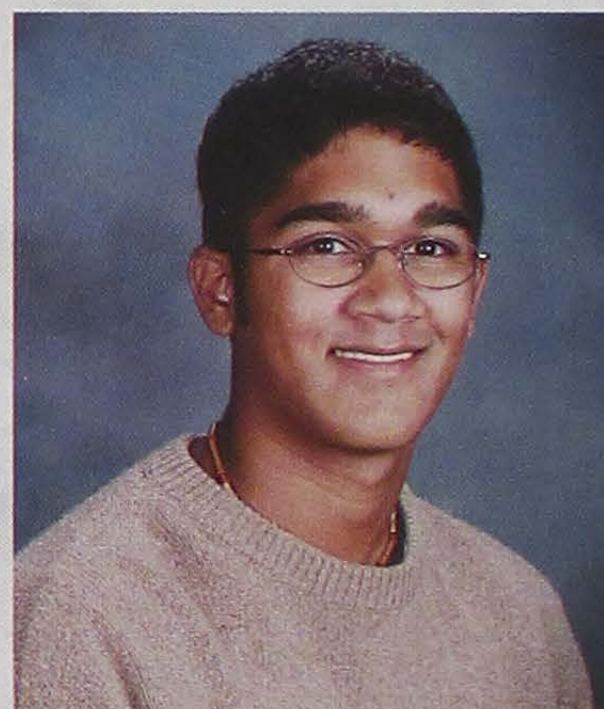
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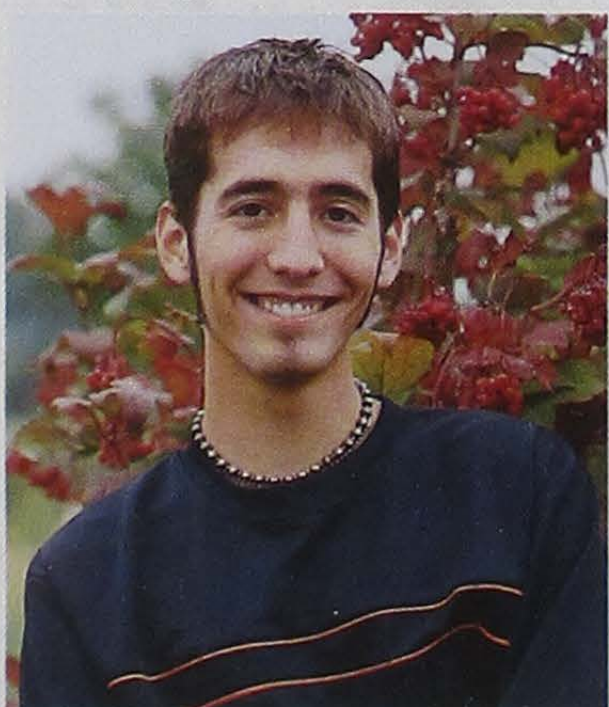
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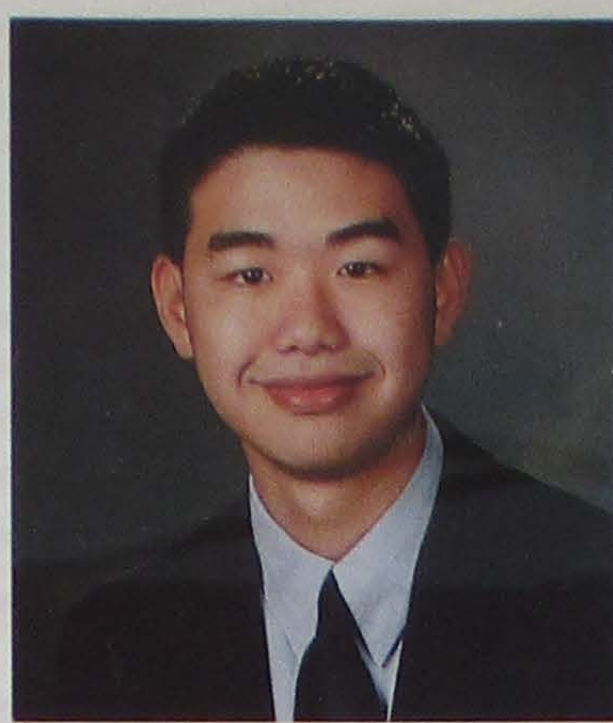
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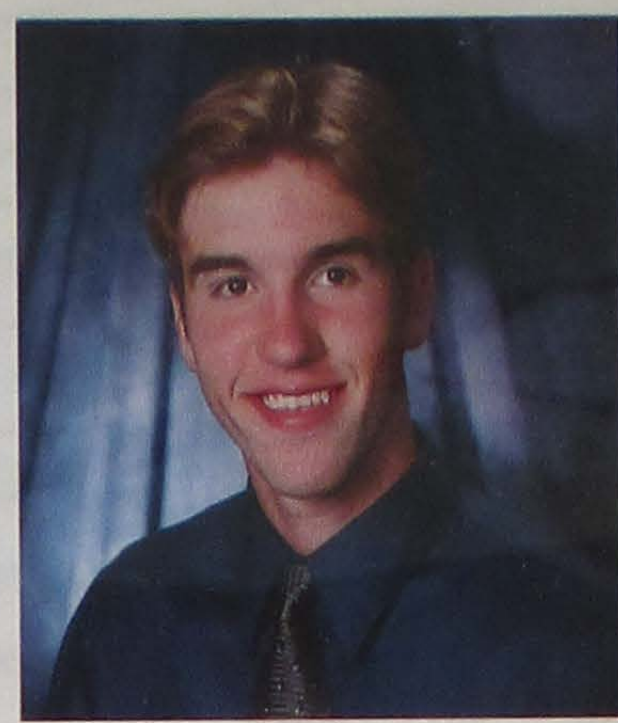
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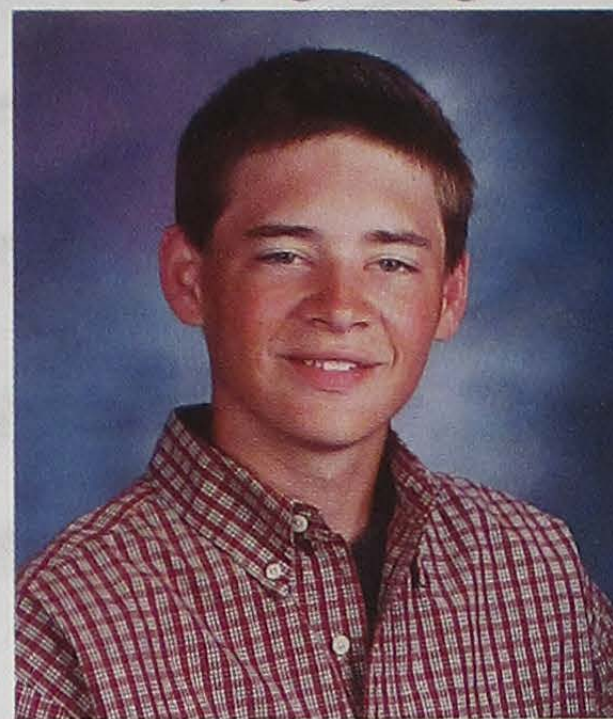
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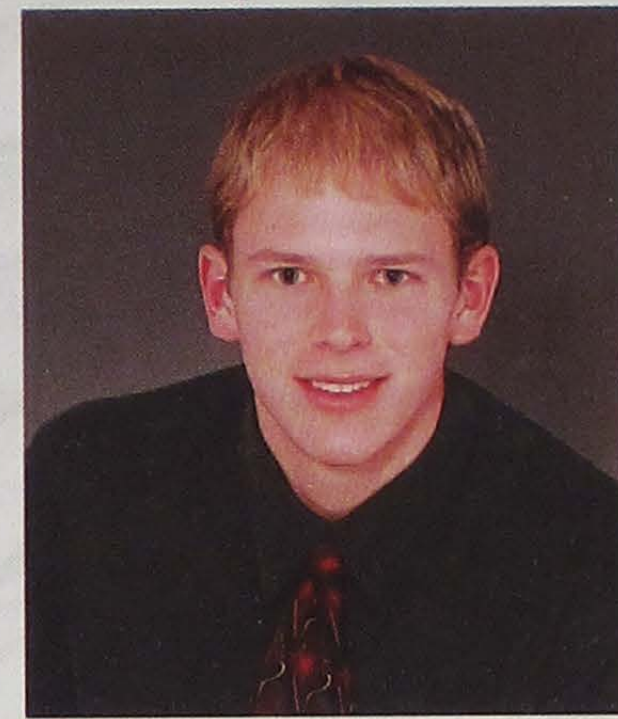
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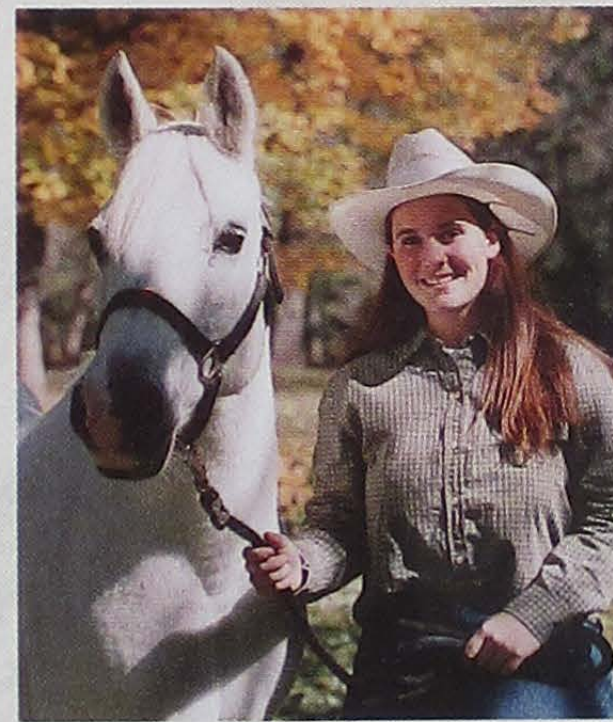
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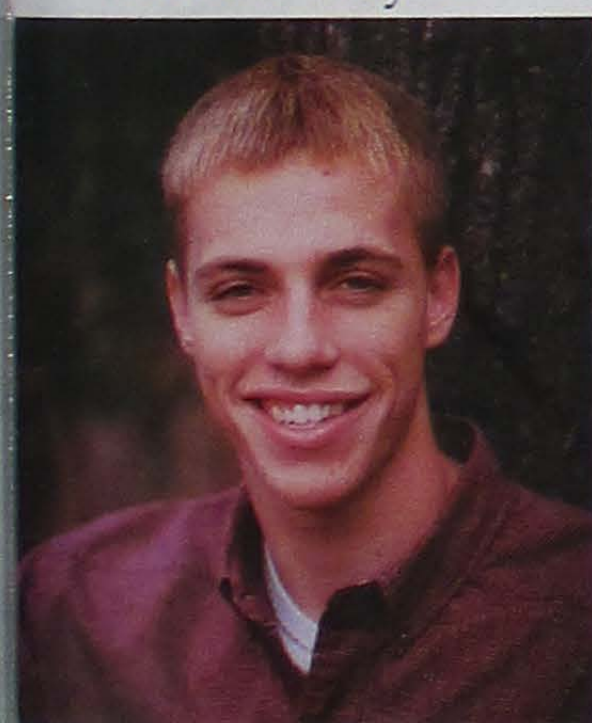
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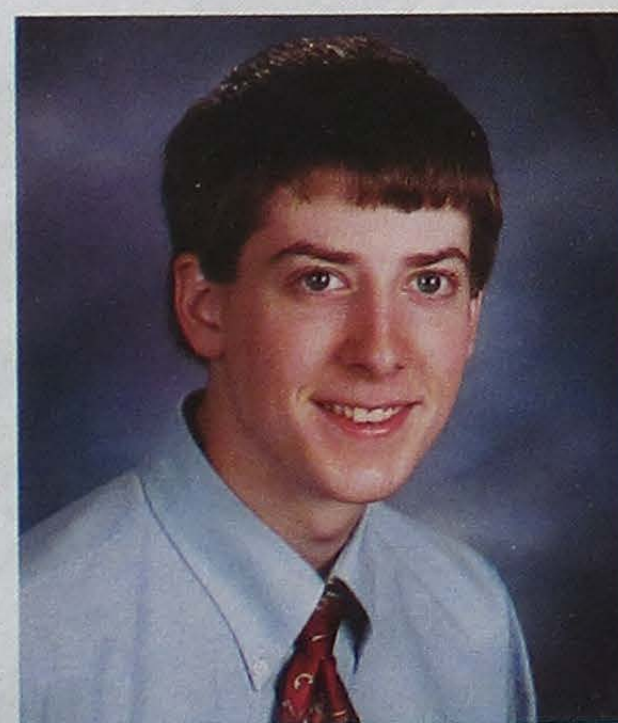
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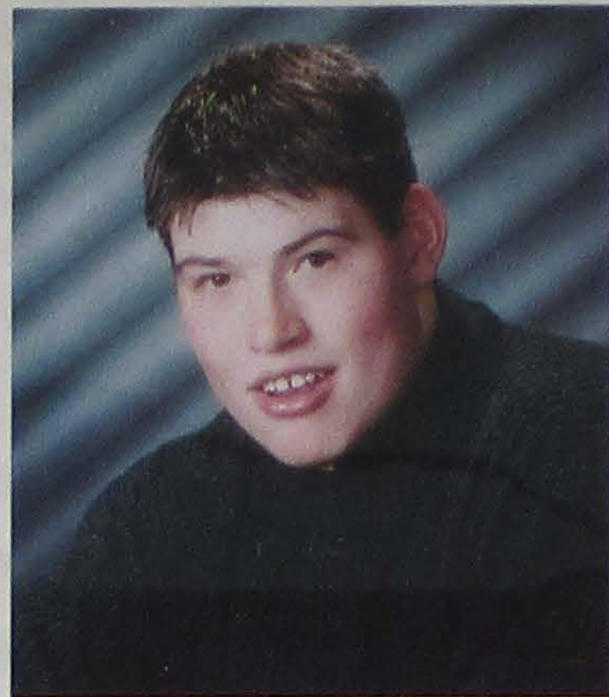
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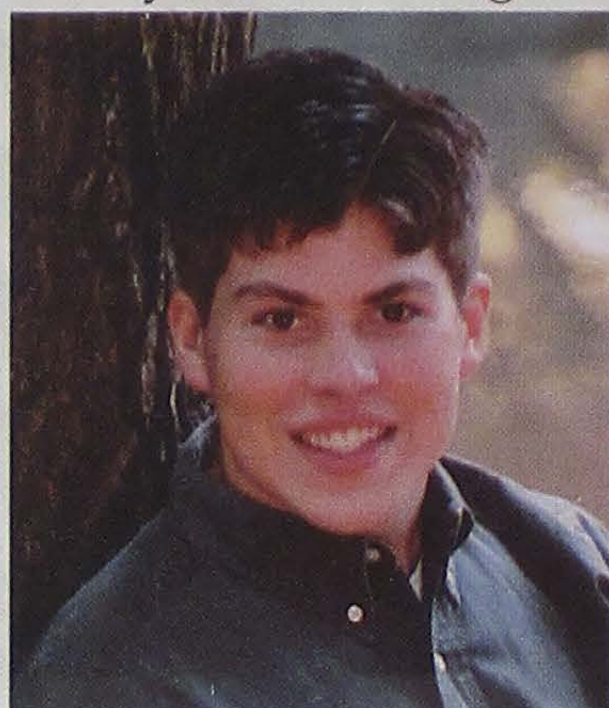
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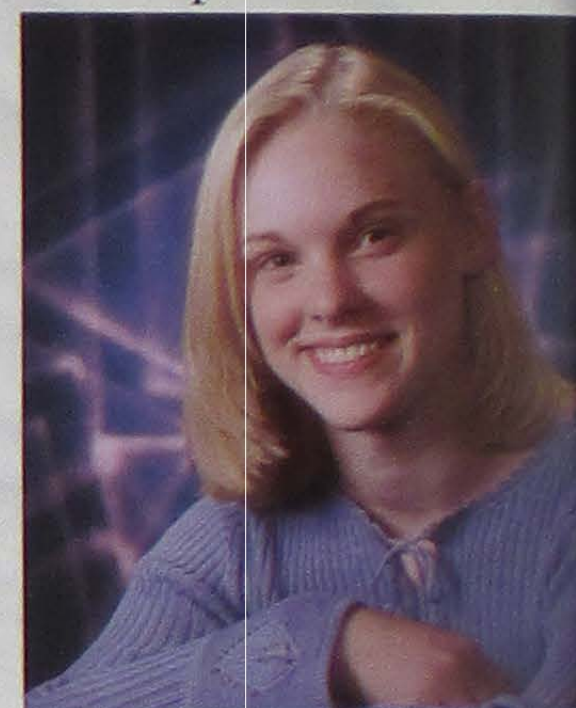
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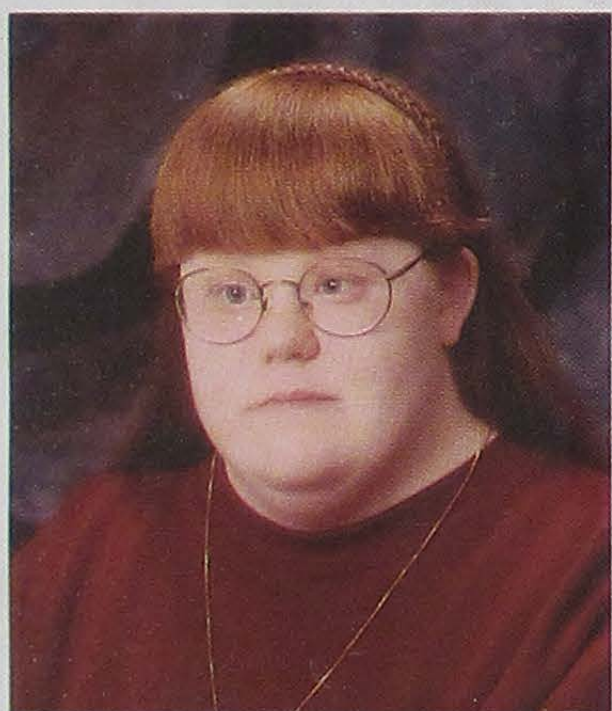
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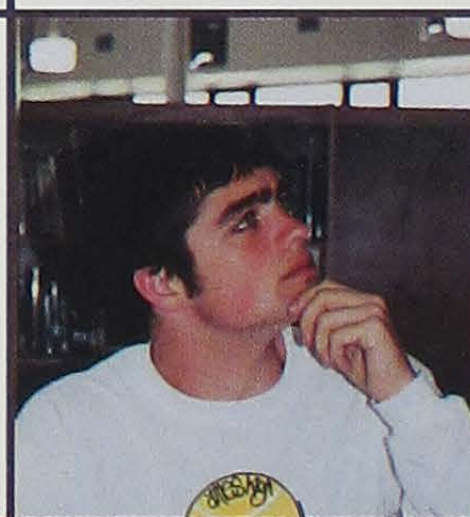
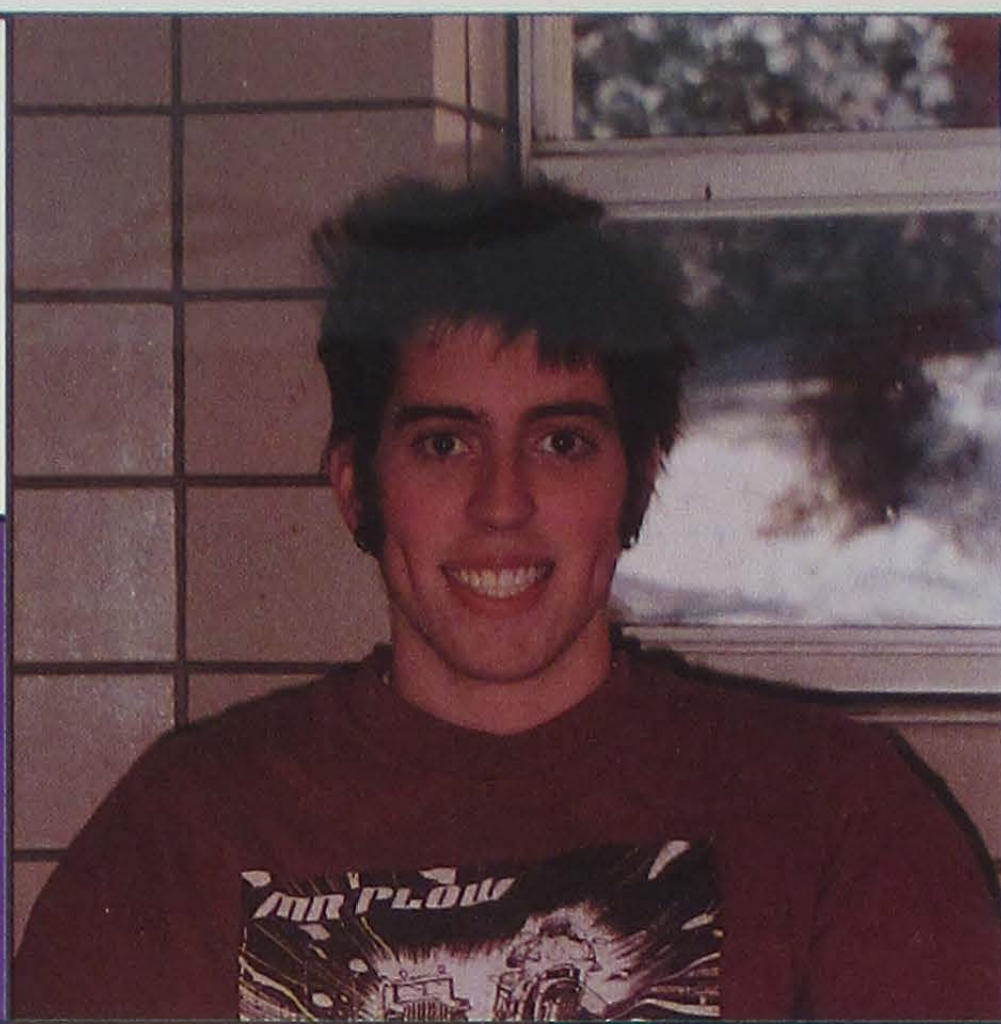
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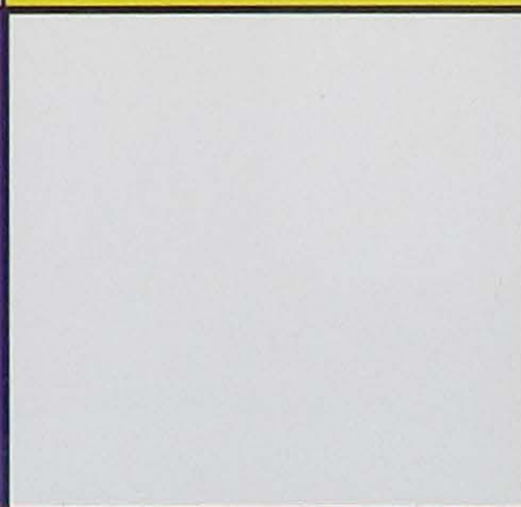
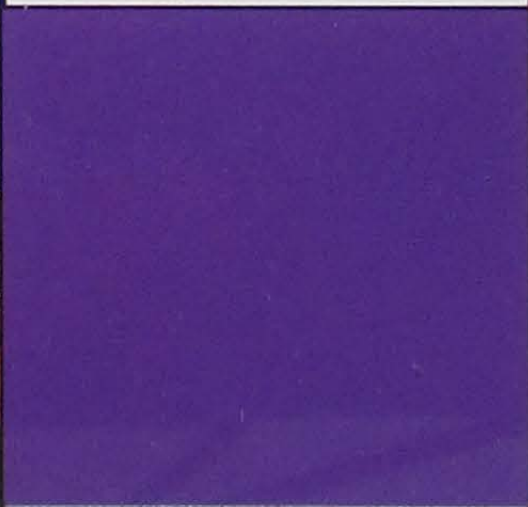
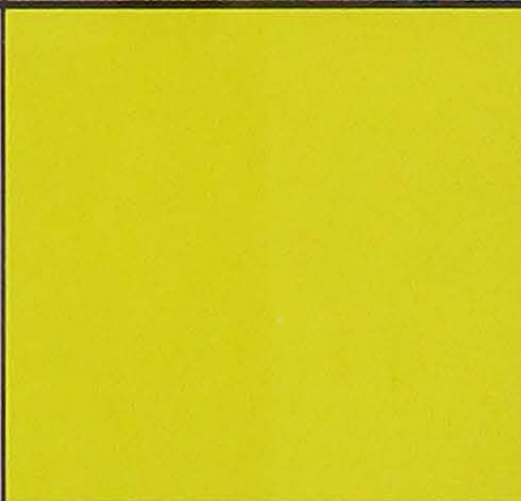
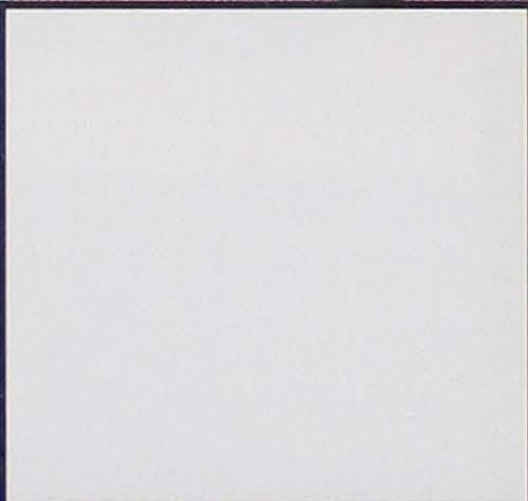
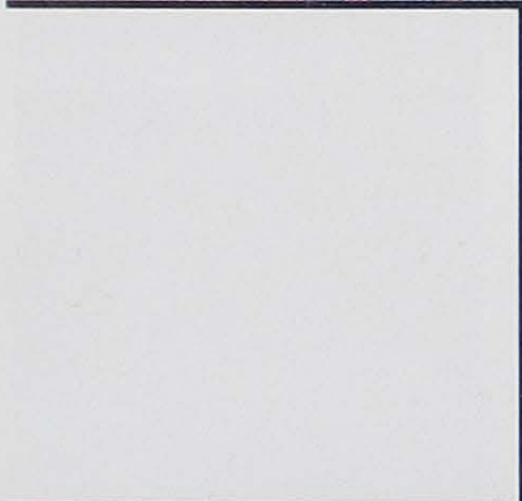
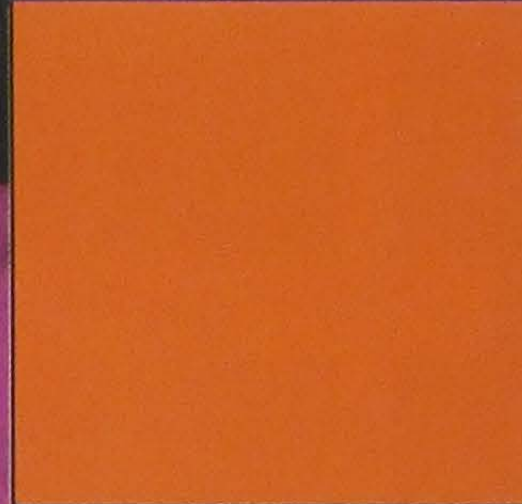
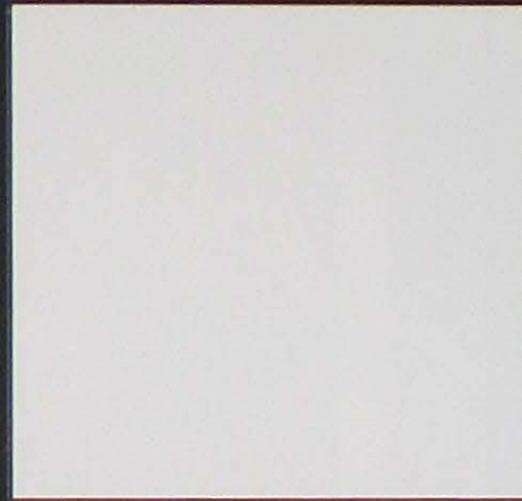
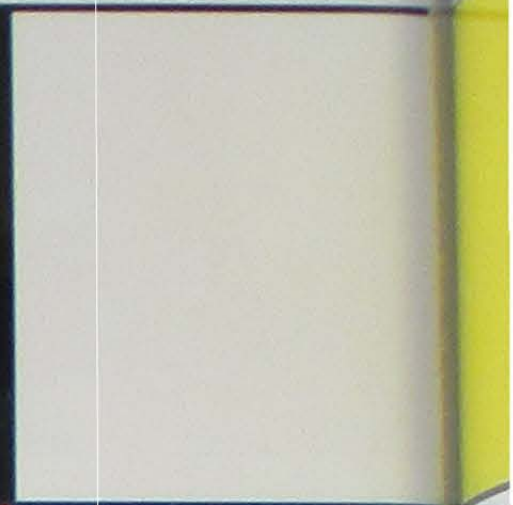
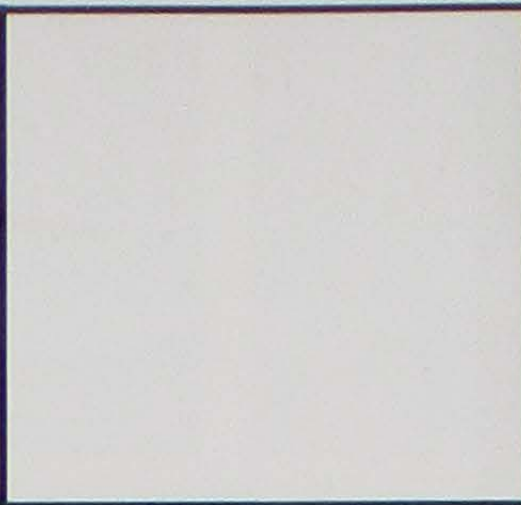
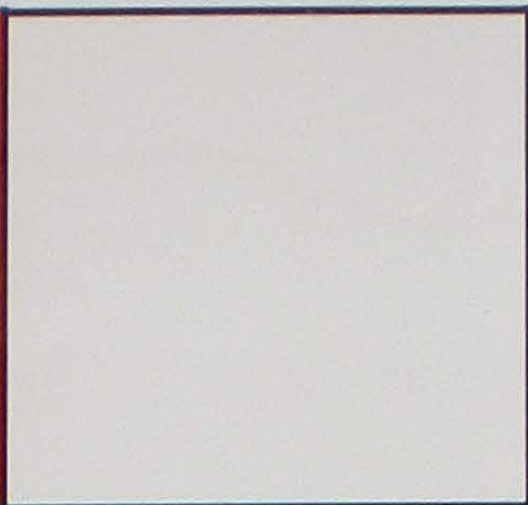
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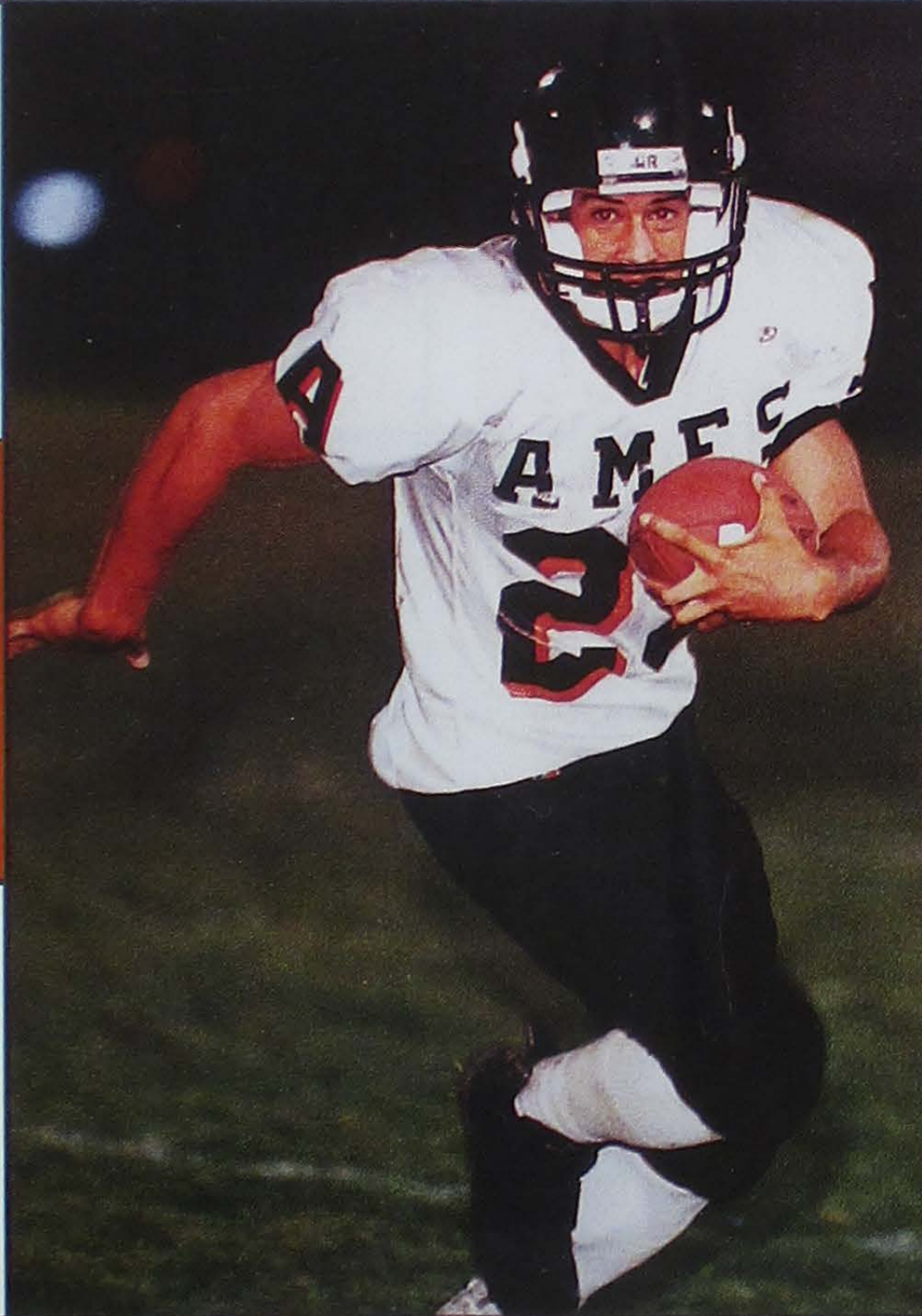
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Robert Randall
Andres Reinot

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Rebecca Spence
Torrey Shufford
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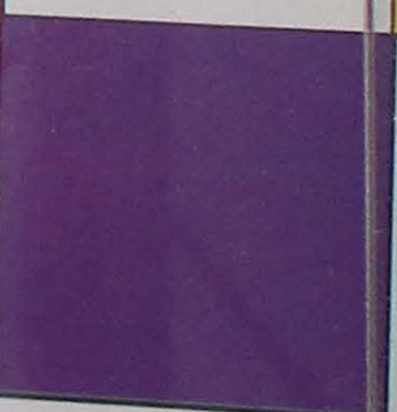




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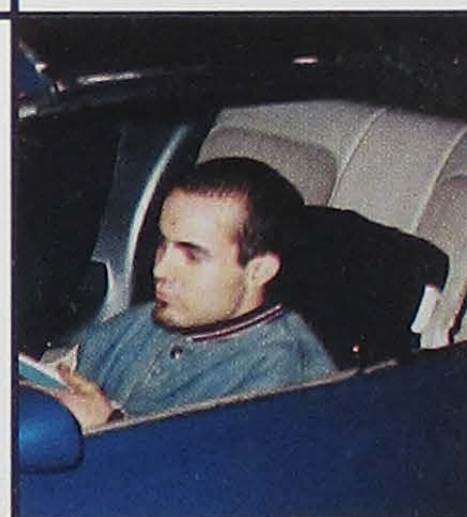
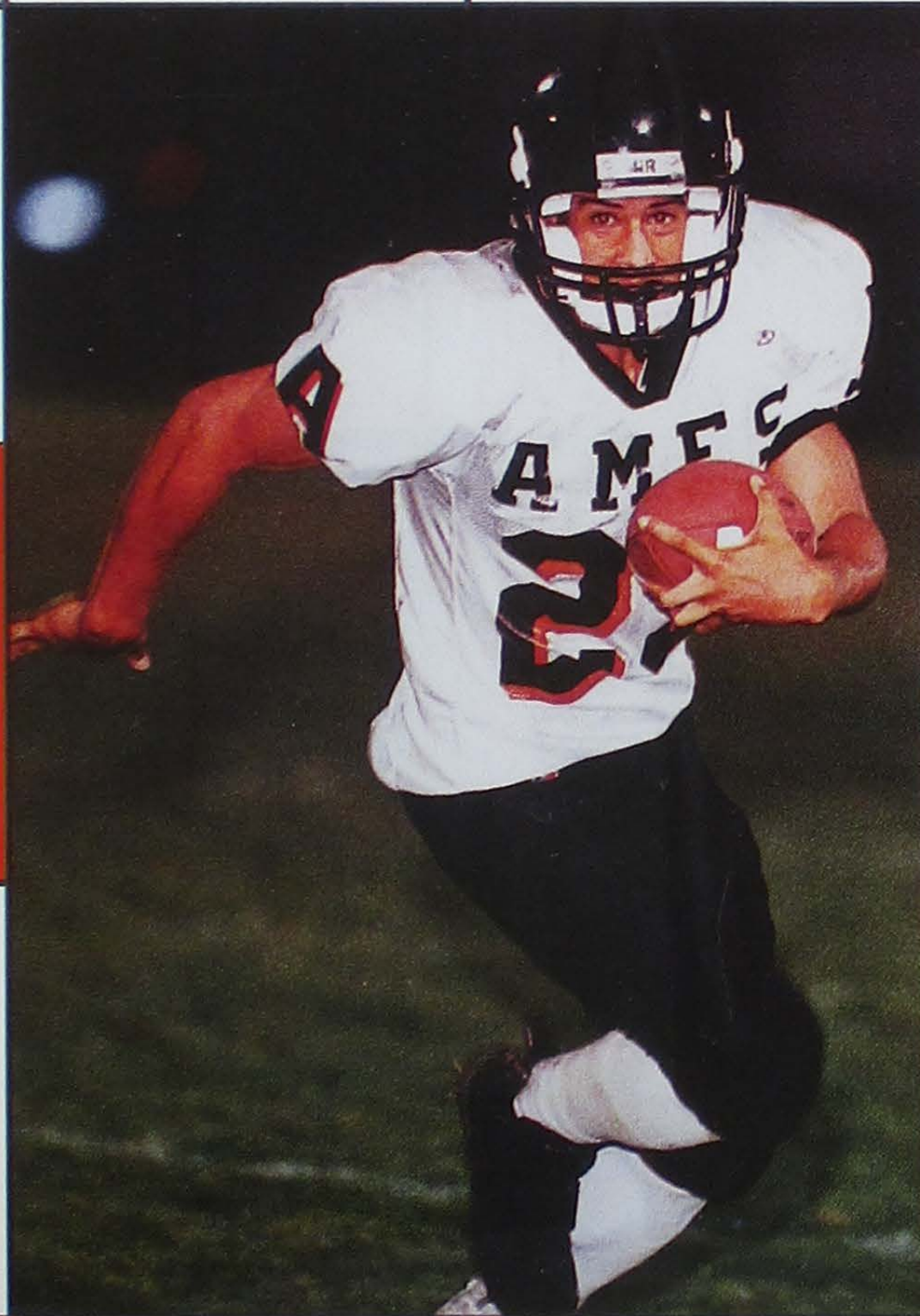
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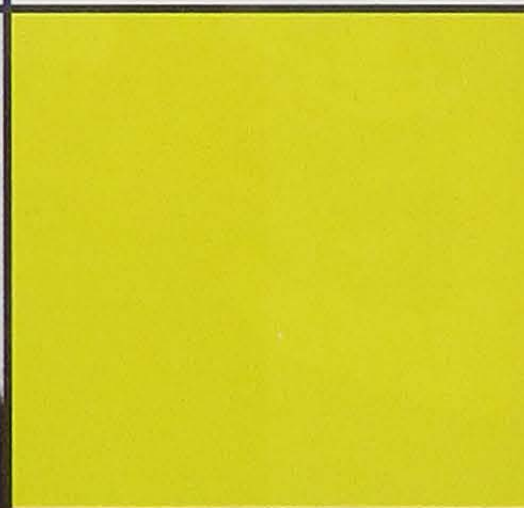
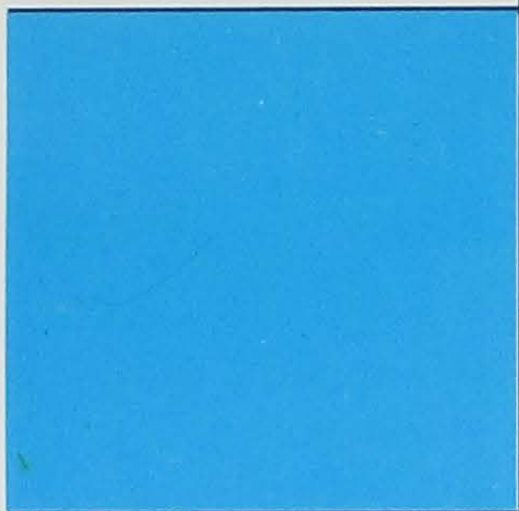
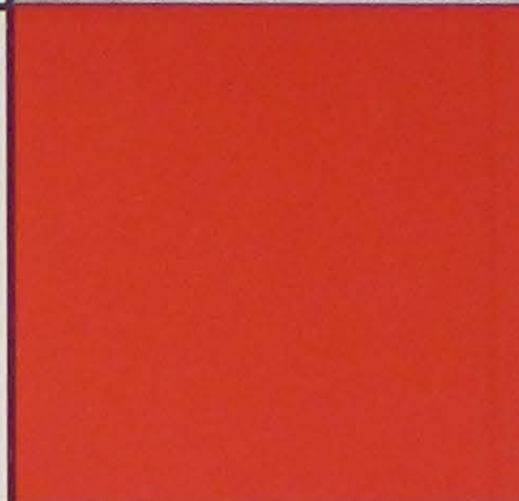


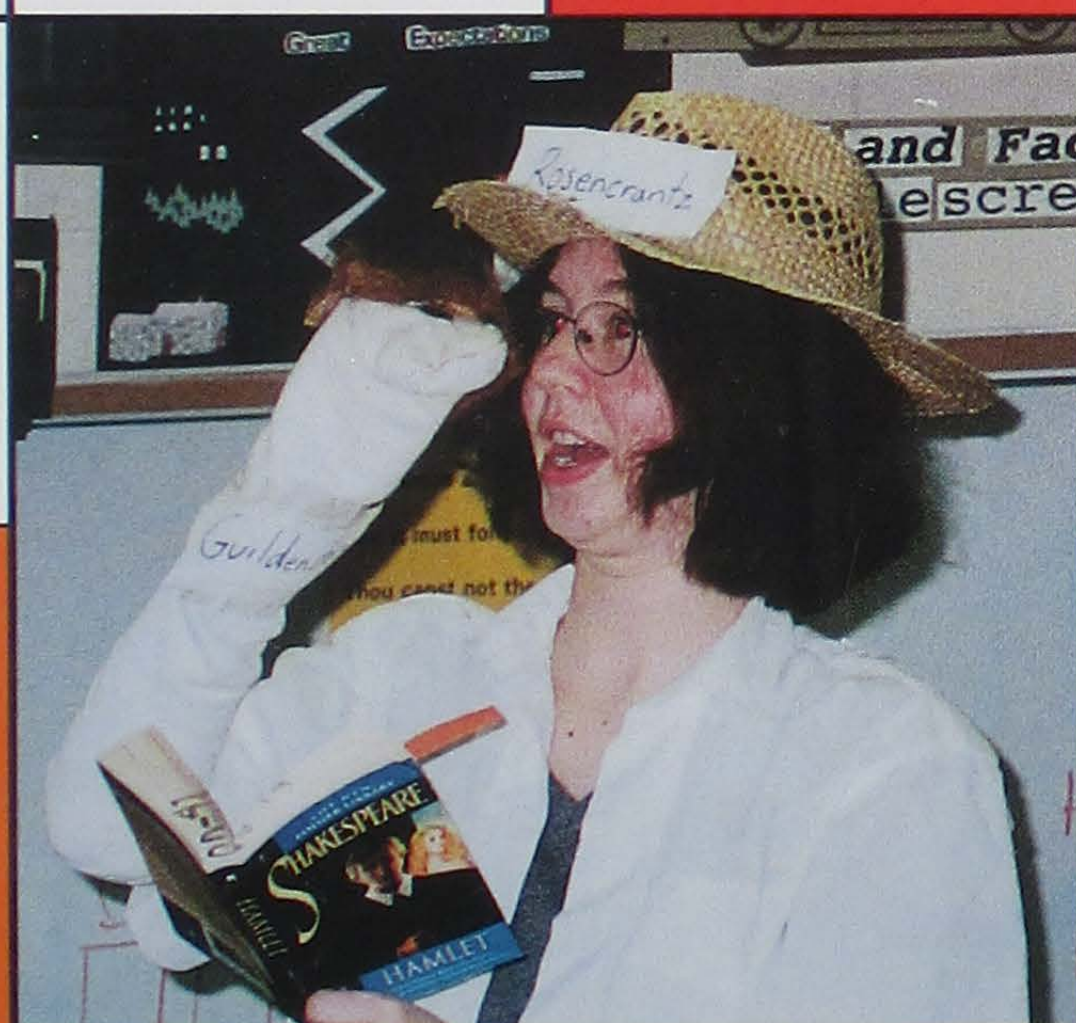
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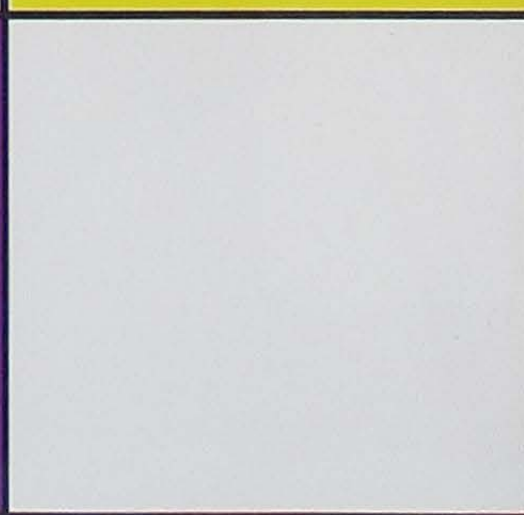
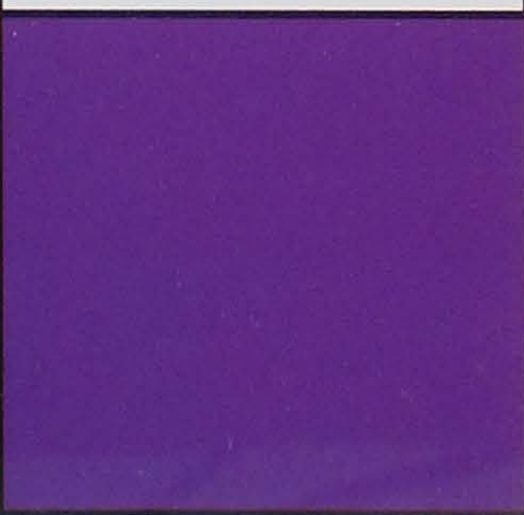
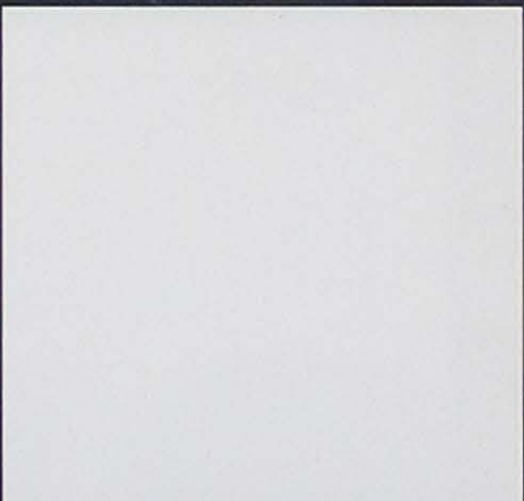
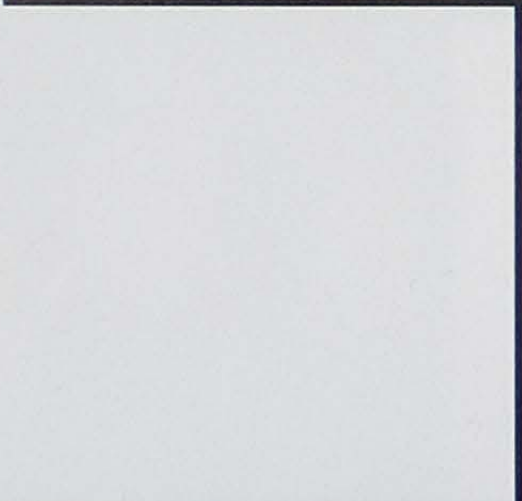
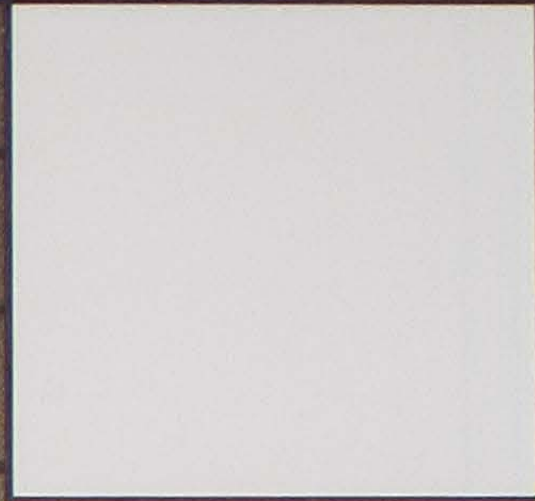
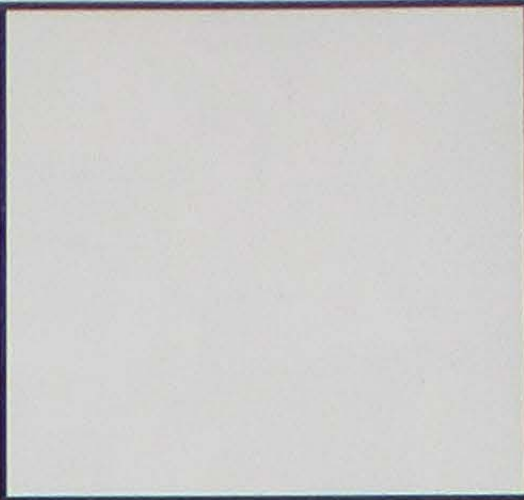
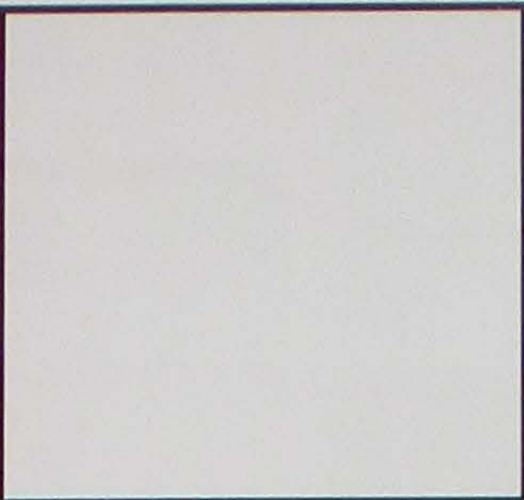
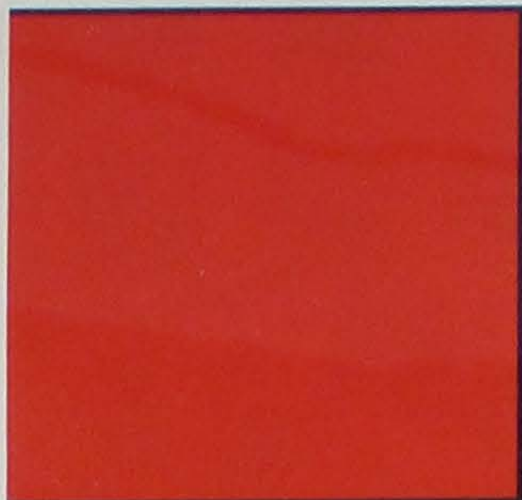


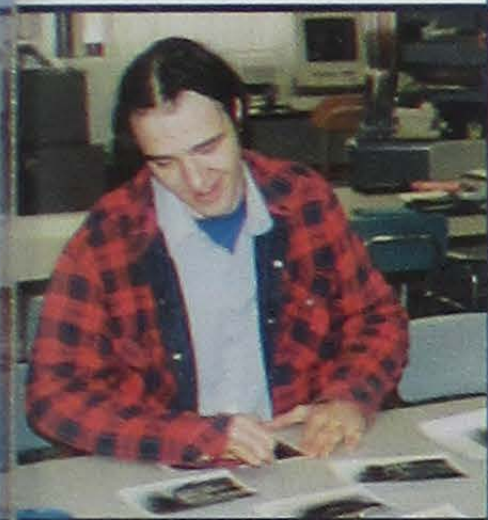
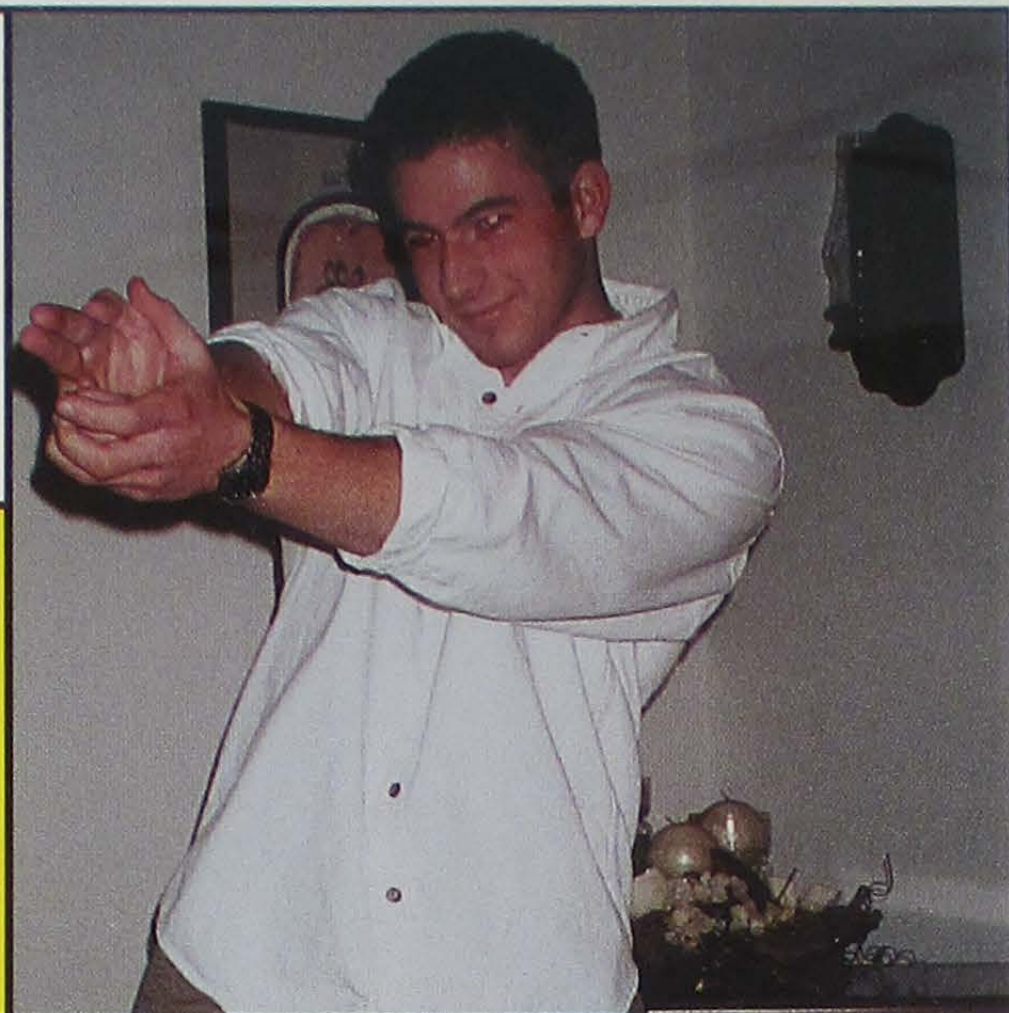


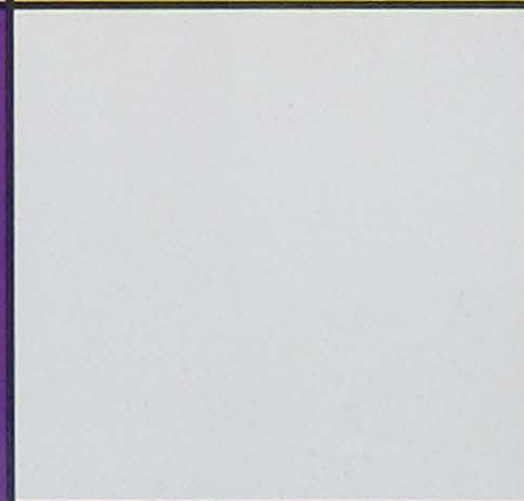
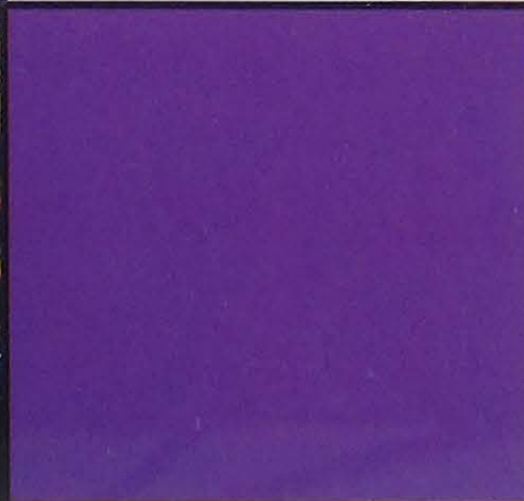
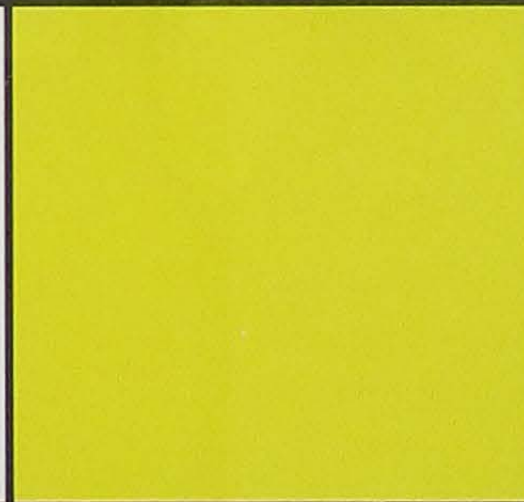
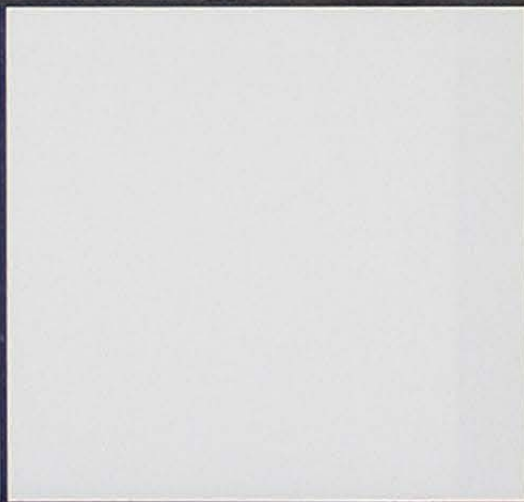
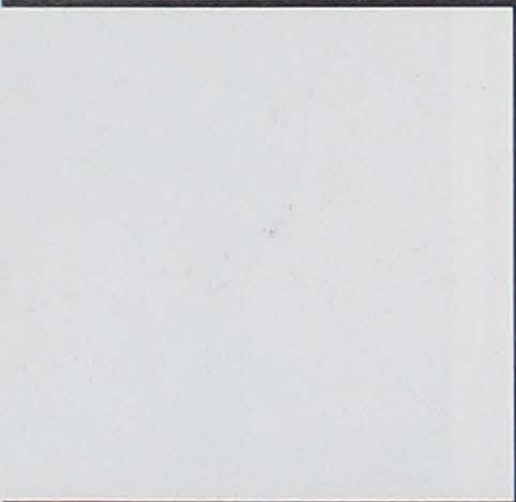
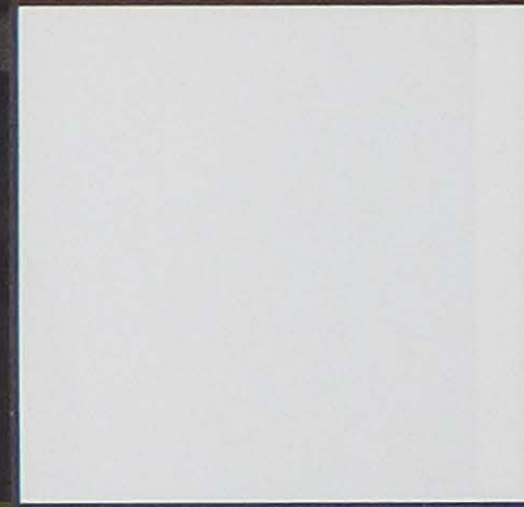
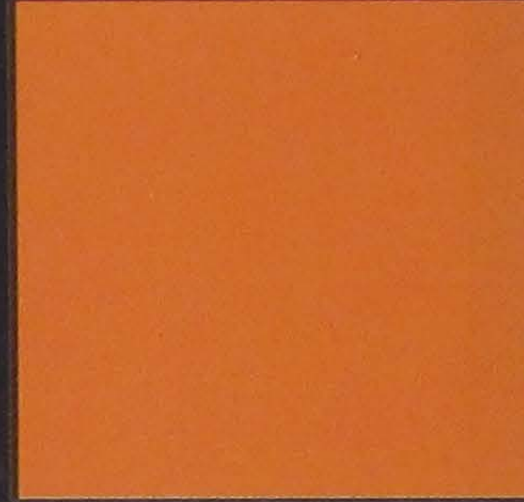
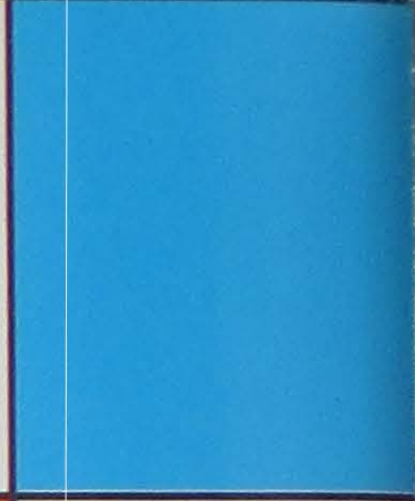
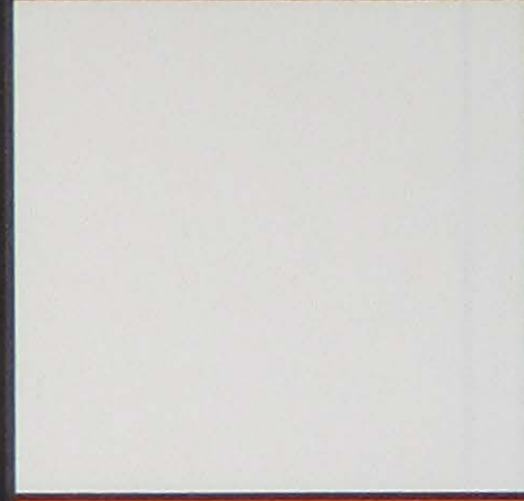
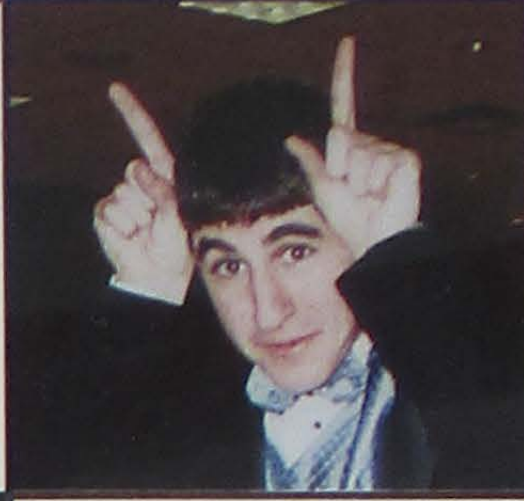
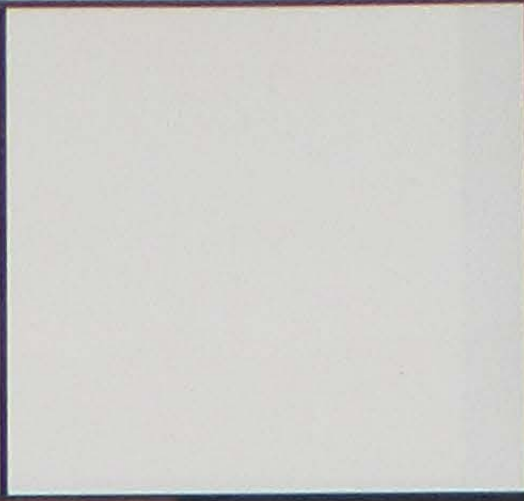
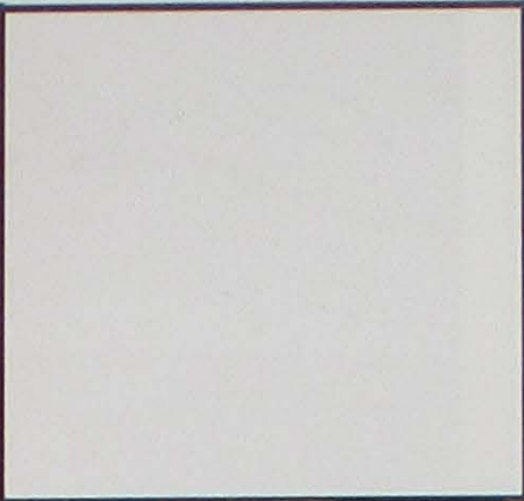












... presenting the class of 2001





Did you ever know that

you're my true hero?

You are the *wind*

beneath my

wings.



**WE'RE PROUD OF
YOU, COWBOY!**

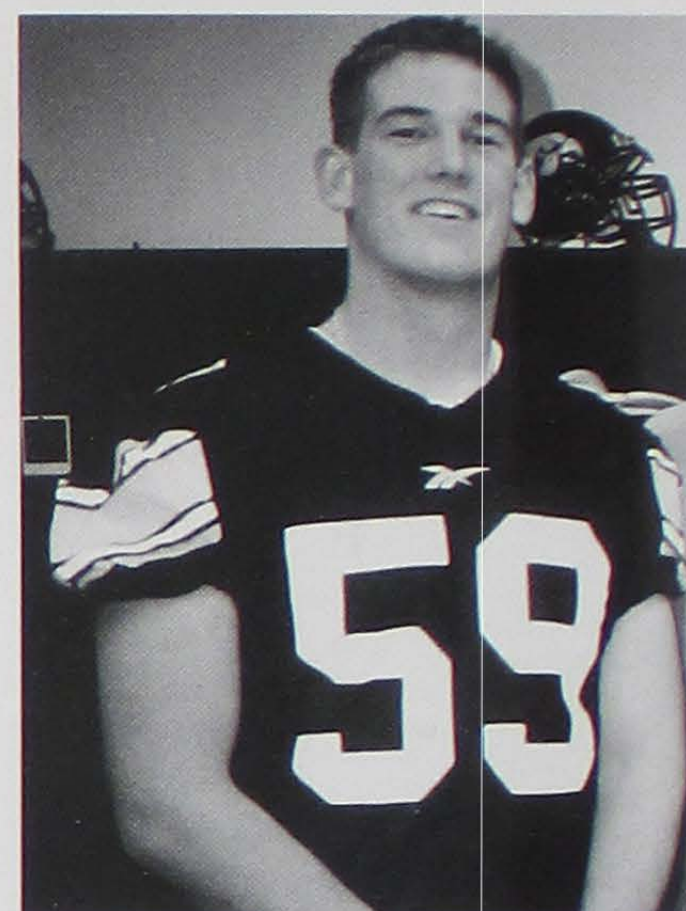
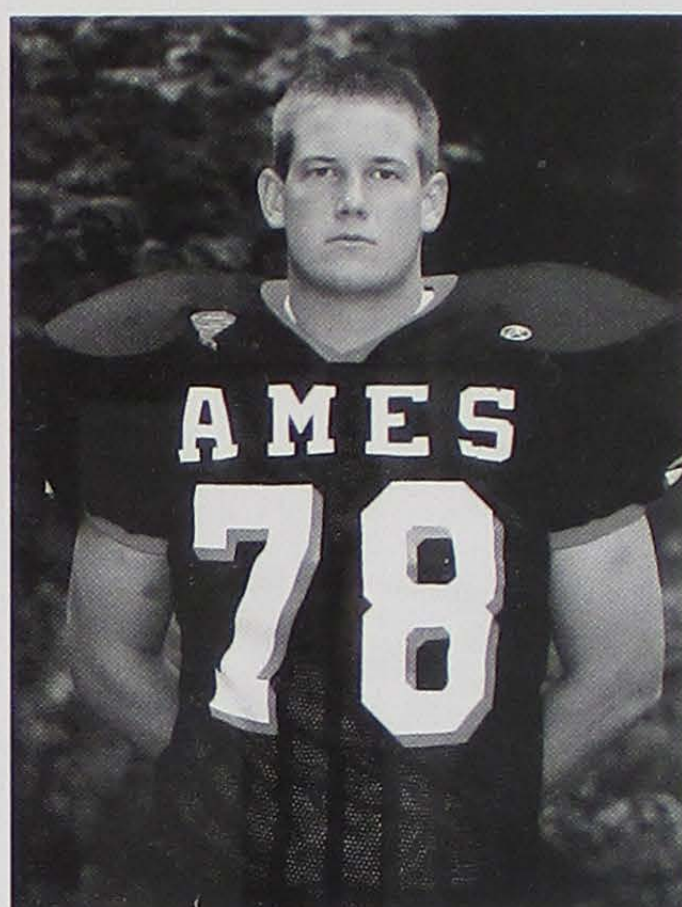
**MOM, DAD,
GRETCHEN &
ASTRID**



**DAPHNE,
YOU WILL FOREVER
BE OUR SHINING
STAR!**

**WE LOVE YOU!
MOM & NIC**

FROM THE BACKYARD . . . TO AMES HIGH . . . TO THE UNIVERISTY OF IOWA



"GO HAWKS"

**ENJOY YOUR FUTURE BEN . . .
LOVE, MOM, DAD, & GINNY**



Congratulations

Lil' Bit!

Love,

Mom, Dad &

Matt



**YOU'VE ALWAYS
BEEN A SHAKER AND
A MOVER. KEEP
AFTER IT AND
YOU'LL GO FAR.**

**CONGRATULATIONS-
LOVE,
MOM, DAD, AND BILL**

CONGRATULATIONS BRANDON

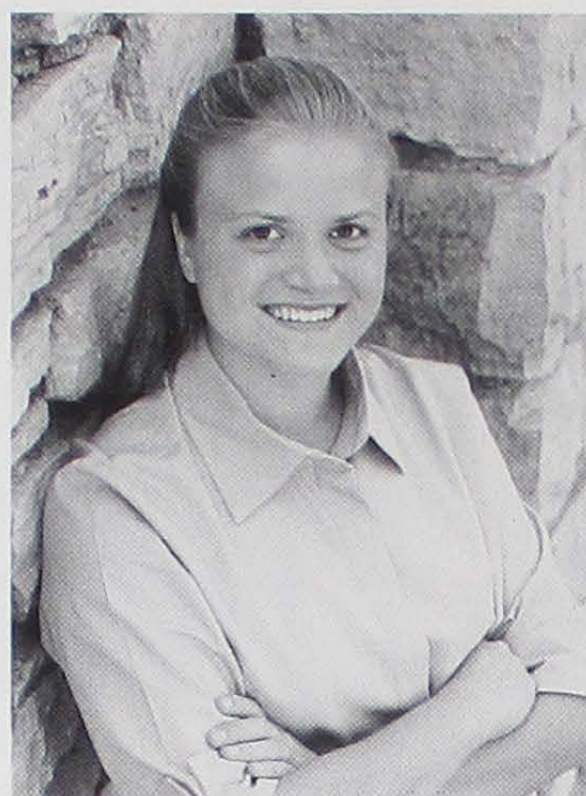


OUR LIVES WERE CHANGED IN '82
WHEN WE BECAME THE PROUD PARENTS OF YOU
TIME HAS GONE BY SO FAST--
BUT RAISING YOU HAS BEEN SUCH A BLAST
THE YEAR HAS COME 2001
WE COULDN'T BE PROUDER OF YOU SON
FROM K TO 12 WE'VE WATCHED YOU GROW --
AND NOW ON TO ISU YOU GO !!!
WE LOVE YOU!!!
MOM, DAD AND BREANNA

You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet



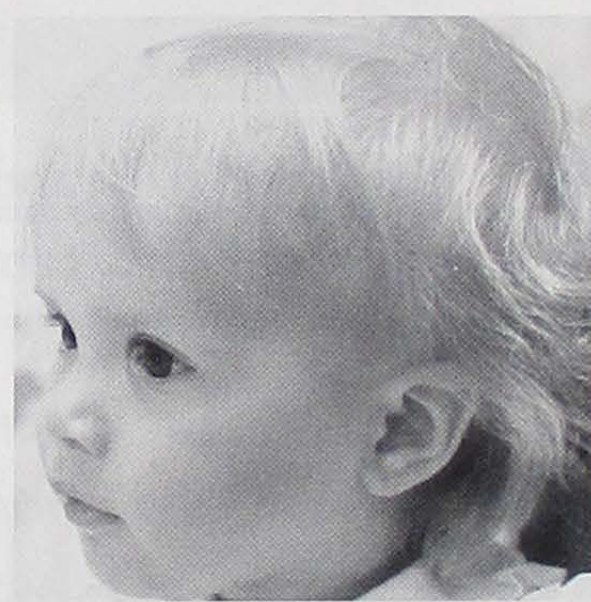
Nicholas,
You never gave
up! We are so
proud of you as a
son and a big
brother.
Love you
Dad, Mom,
Danielle, and
Kelsey



To be what
we are to
become what
we are
capable of
becoming is
the only
end of
life.

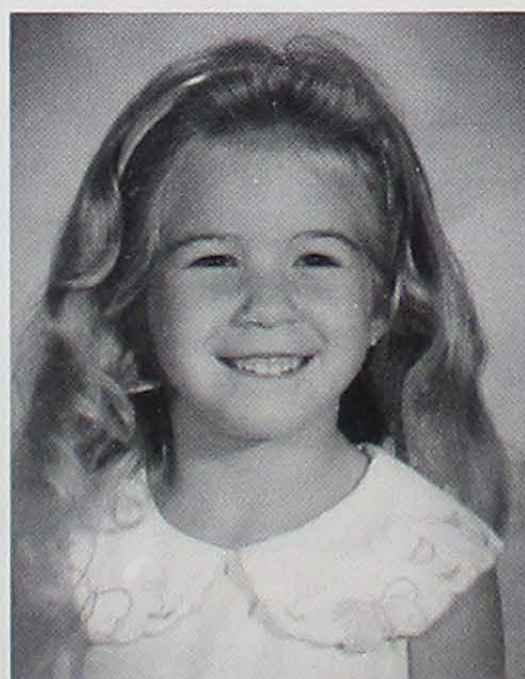
Margaret Mathison,
We are proud of who you
are and look forward to
who you will become.
Set your sights high and
all of your dreams will
come true.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Randy



- Erin -

How you have touched our lives is
immeasurable. The love we have for
you is a foundation upon which you
will continue to grow as a person.
We are always your "perfect" fans.
Love,
Mom and Dominique



Julie,
It's been a joy and a blessing
to watch you grow up!
"Let your light shine before
men, that they may see your
good deeds and praise your
Father in heaven."
Matthew 5:16
Love,
Dad & Mom
Scott, Tim and Michael



***Go get 'em Jake!
The best of
everything to
you always.
Love,
Mom, Dad, John
& Kam***

***You've always
been a big
splash to us!
Lots of love and
best wishes.
Mom and Dad***



***What lies behind us and what lies before us
are small matters compared to what lies
within us.***

- Emerson

I love what lies within you.

- Amy

*There are many things in life that will catch your
eye, but only a few will catch your heart*

... pursue these.

We're so proud of you.

Mom & Dad



***Megan Morrow
We knew then you
would always strive
to be your best ...
and we could not be
prouder.
Mom, Dad & John***



***You have always
made us proud.
As you reach for
your dreams,
we'll always be
there for you.
Love,
Mom, Dad, &
Steph***



*Your shy expressions
always let us know
you are thinking (or
plotting)!
Keep up the good
work!
Love,
Dad & Mom*



JAMIE
Keep
SWINGING
for the
fences.
We love
you,
Jamester!
Mom, Eric,
Ian,
Trevor, &
Joe



Ben

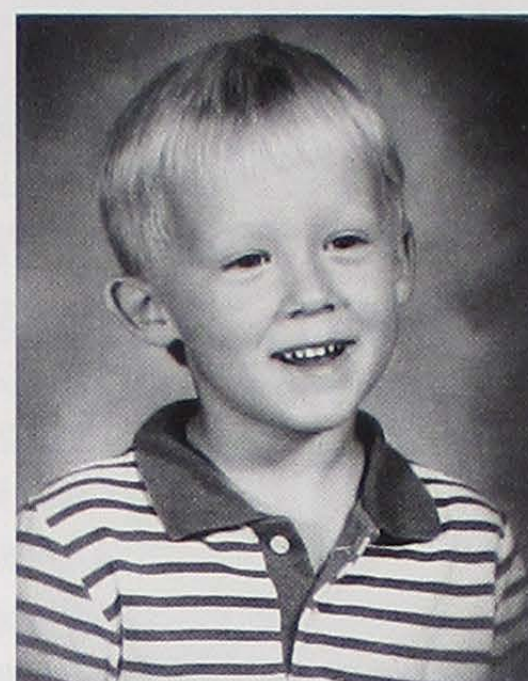
You light up our lives and fill our
home with joy, laughter, and
cherished memories.



We are so proud of you and all your
accomplishments. May your future be filled
with bright possibilities as you follow your
dreams.

We love you!

Mom, Emily, Laura & Linnea



STEVEN,
YOU HAVE ENRICHED OUR LIVES IN SO
MANY WAYS--YOUR WINNING SMILE,
YOUR POSITIVE OUTLOOK, YOUR
SENSITIVITY, YOUR TENACITY . . .
WE KNOW THESE QUALITIES WILL
SERVE YOU WELL AND HELP TO
FULFILL YOUR LIFE.
LOVE, MOM AND DAD



Dearest Julie Annette,

Thank you for making my parenting
experience so wonderful. You have
been a blessing to us. I'm sure God is
delighted with you and I know He has
wonderful plans for your life.

Colossians 2:5-7

We love you!

Mom & Dad

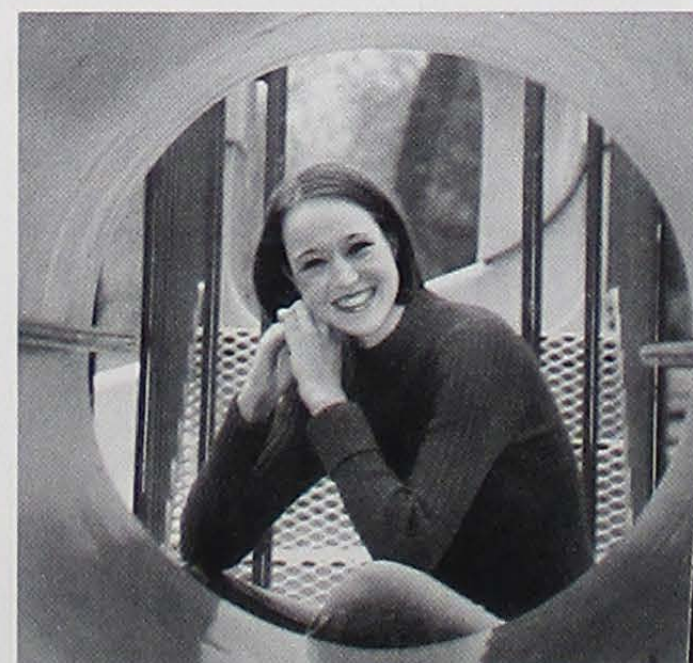


Aim high and go for it!
We'll always support
you all the way.

Love,

Dad, Mom, and Megan

Melissa Shill



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AS YOU PREPARE TO "PLUNGE" INTO
THIS NEXT PHASE OF YOUR LIFE,
KNOW THAT WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN
PROUD OF YOU AND WILL ALWAYS BE
THERE FOR YOU.
LOVE YA,
MOM AND DAD

Mitchell Ridnour

Congratulations on all your
high school accomplishments.
Keep believing in yourself
and follow your dreams.

Love Always,
Dad, Mom, Ryan and Missy



*Congratulations Necole!
You brought us much joy
and happiness. We wish
you all the joy that life
can bring to you in
return for all that you
have brought to so
many.*

*Best of Luck!
Love,
Mom, Stewart, Chad
Hannah, Matt, Scott,
and your Dad*

Did you hear it? she asked and I shook my head
no and then she started to dance and suddenly
there was music everywhere and it went on for
a very long time and when I finally found
words, all I could say was thank you.

- Brian Andreas



Thank you Aubrey, your dance is so
beautiful.

Mama, Papa, Stephanie & Tillie



KYLAN LONEY

We're proud of not only what
you've become but who you are as
well.

Love,
Mom & Dad

Kelley

We wish
you the
best that
life has
to offer.
Love
Always,
Mom and
Dad



Gretchen

*May you continue to brighten the
world with your beautiful smile, com-
passionate heart, and musical talents.*



*Congratulations on all your
accomplishments. Now, reach
for the stars.*

*We love you,
Mom, Dad, Leah & Charles*

We're proud of you
Diane!



Lots of Love,
Dad, Mom, Steve, Marie
& Jimmy



I can do all
things through
Christ who
strengthens me.
Phil 4:13
Yes, you and He
can.

JASON



May all your
dreams
come true.
We are
very proud
of you.
Love
Always,
Mom, Dad,
Angie &
Kevin



MEGAN



From playpens to pom poms to
Pomp and Circumstance,
you've always made us proud.

You go, Girl!

Love,
Mom, Dad, & Rachel

Congratulations Chris!



We are proud
of you and
wish you
happiness and
success in all
that you do.
Love,
Mom, Dad, and
Jamie



Katie,
May you always have that
Irish twinkle in your eyes, and
that beautiful smile on your face.
May all your dreams come true.

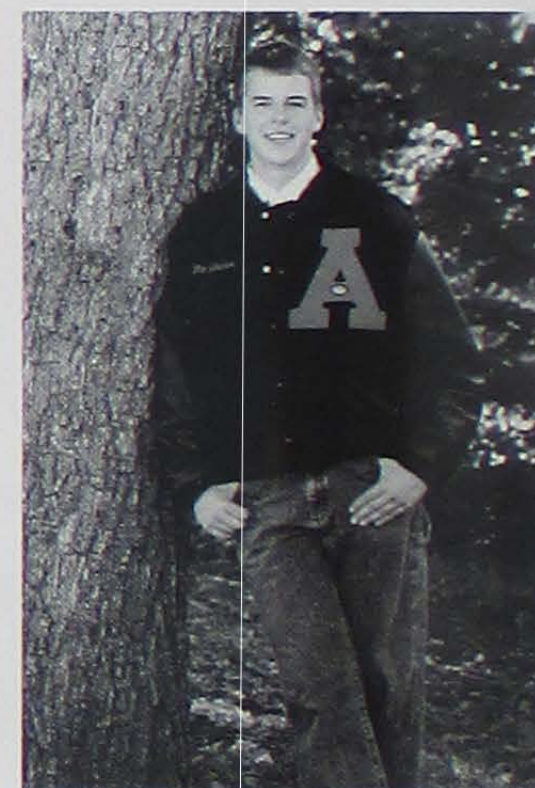
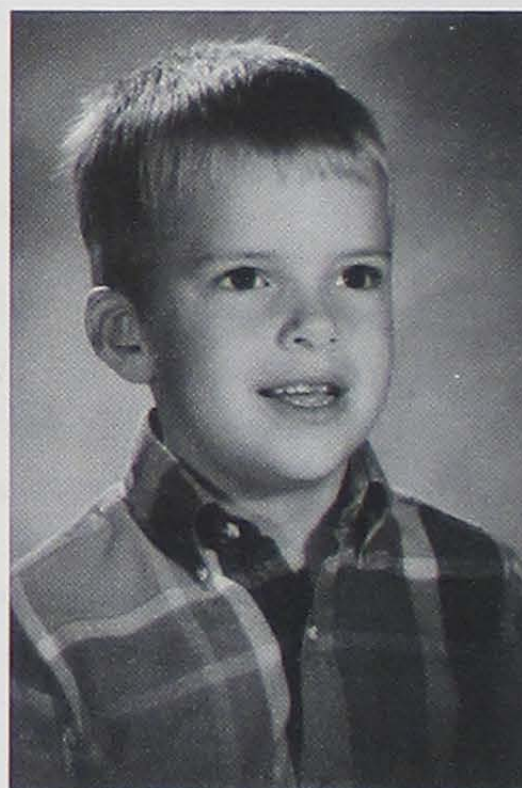
Love,
Mom, Dad, Brian, and
Brennan

We are proud of
you and know you
can go far in the
future.

Love,
Mom and Kevin
Dad and Nora
Jeff



**YOU HAVE BEEN TAUGHT BY MANY WHO LOVE
YOU . . . NOW YOU WILL TEACH OTHERS.**



**YOU LIGHT UP OUR
LIVES, AARON. WE ARE
SO BLESSED BY YOU.
YOUR LOVING FAMILY**



Sarah,
You are our pride and
joy.
We all love you so
much!
Mom & Ryan
Grandma & Cindy
Patches, Casper &
Kitty



*Act enthusiastic and
you'll be enthusiastic.
Love and all the best,
Mom, Dad, Thomas
& Copper*

Enjoy!
**These are the
"good old days"
you're going to
miss in the years
ahead.**



**Kathryn
Marie
Swank**



Congratulations, Kati!
We're proud of you.
Love,
Dad, Mom & Amy



**Hold on to your
dreams, Dan!**
We love you,
Mom, Dad, Mike,
Ben

**"Excuse me, but we're
playing by Ellyn's rules
here!"**



**Congratulations our widdle
chicken pot pie!**
Love,
Mom, Dad, David & Mark

BRIAN CLARK



*Two roads diverged in a wood, and I
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the
difference.*
- Robert Frost

**Brian, may all the roads in life
bring you continued success and
happiness!**
**We love you so much and are so
very proud of you,**
Mom, Dad, Jason, Denise
& Laura Jean

Congratulations, Cait!



*OUR LOVE AND
BEST WISHES-
MOM, DAD, &
DAN*

Amy Joan Swanson



Congratulations!

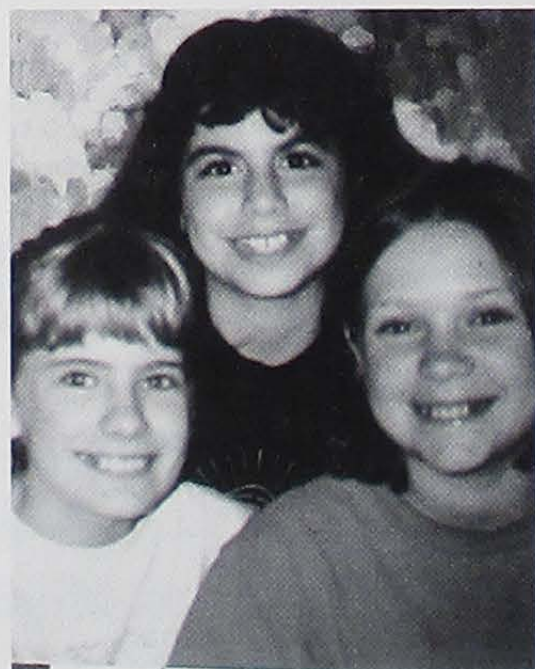
Today's bright moments are tomorrow's fine memories!

Love Always,

Mom and Dad

Jay '88 Rob '92 Julie '95

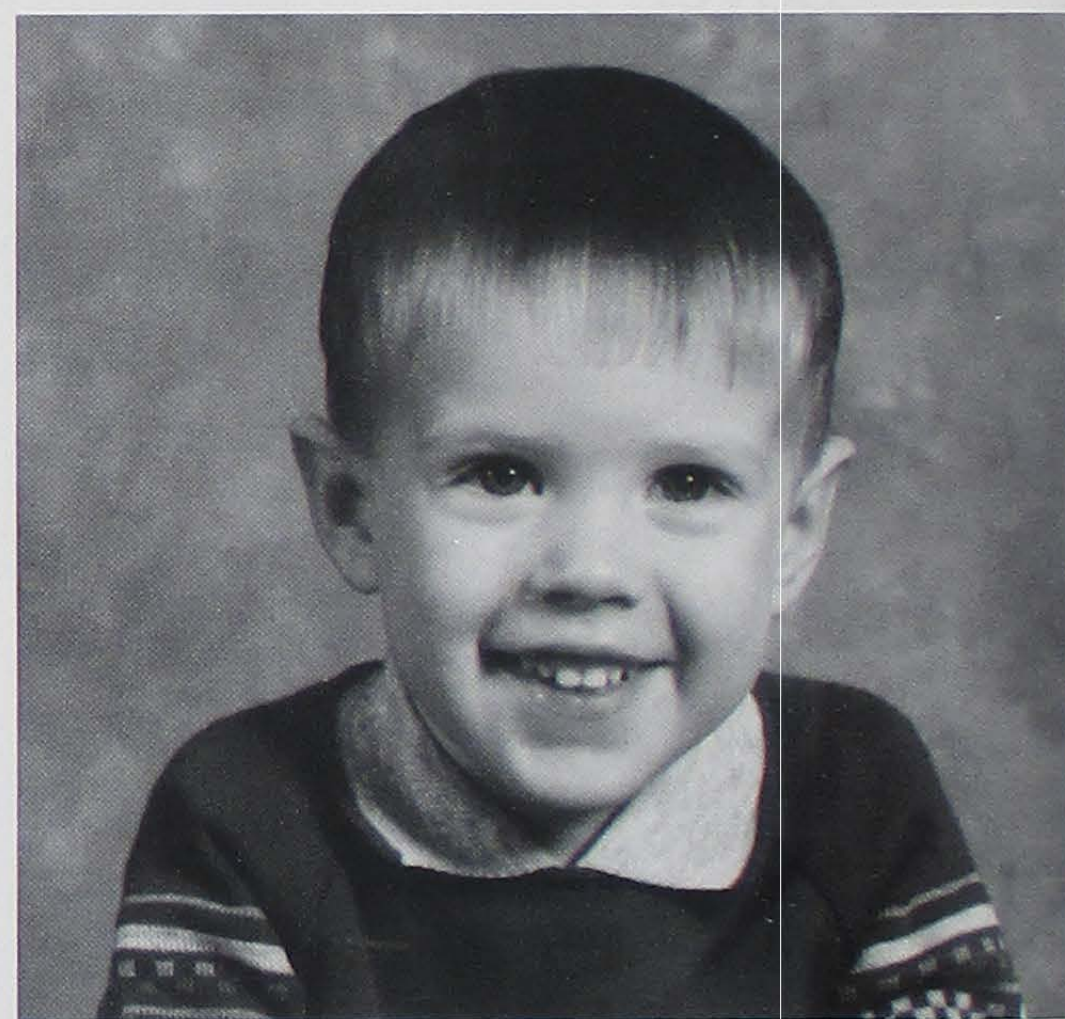
**FRIENDS
FOR
ALL
SEASONS**



Laura Carlyle



*Happy trails to you!
Love forever,
Dad, Mom & Jamie*



Shawn

You have come a long way from Backwheat to the young man you are. We are very proud of you and we love you very much. May God always hold you in the palm of His hand.

Love,

Mom, Dad and Lisa

Amy Mekemson Congratulations!



*We are so proud of you.
Remember - Treasure all you have
and all you can become.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Will & Michelle*

KIM SCHUH



**"YOU DON'T CHOOSE YOUR FAMILY.
THEY ARE GOD'S GIFT TO YOU, AS YOU
ARE TO THEM."**

**LOVE,
MOM AND DAD**



**I HAVE SET THE LORD
ALWAYS BEFORE ME.
BECAUSE HE IS AT MY
RIGHT HAND, I WILL
NOT BE SHAKEN.
PSALMS 16:8**

**TO OUR PRECIOUS PUNKY
GOD HAS BLESSED US WITH A
SPECIAL TREASURE WHEN HE
GAVE US YOU AS A DAUGHTER.
YOU HAVE TRULY BEEN A JOY IN
OUR LIVES.**

**KEEP SMILING!
LOVE,
MOM, DAD, & NICK**



Congratulations Amy



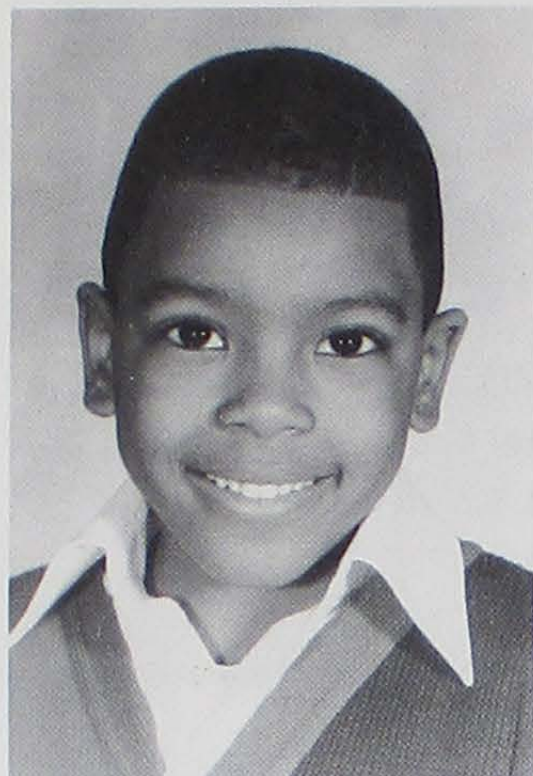
*Believe in yourself and follow your dreams.
Our love and support are with you forever.*

*Love,
Dad, Mom and Eric*



Erik,
 You have big dreams.
 Remember, "you can do
 all things through Him
 who gives you strength."
 With your gifts and God's
 help, you will do great
 things! We are proud of
 you and love you lots!
 Mom & Dad

Brittany
 "Art is long and time
 is fleeting."
 - Longfellow
 So fill your days with
 your love of art!
 Much love always,
 Mom, Dad, Allyson &
 Sebastian



CONGRATULATIONS Tariq!
YOU WERE BORN TO SUCCEED!

Love Always,
MOM, MIKKI, JOEY, DANNY, GRANDMOM & DAN



John LaVille
 Keep using your
 talents to aim
 high!
 Love,
 Mom, Joa, Jenni &
 Josh



Congratulations
 Arzanda!
 You are
 cherished
 Mom

***Congratulations to our
"cabbage patch" kids!***



***Always follow your heart and
faith along life's path.***

***Love,
Mom & Dad***

ANNE



***AS YOU GO THROUGH LIFE, REMEMBER
JUST AS IN THE GAME OF SOFTBALL: "DO
YOUR BEST AND TOUCH ALL THE BASES."
LOVE ALWAYS IN ALL WAYS,
MOM AND DAD***

Congratulations Julie



*Thank you for
these wonderful 18
years - the best is
yet to come!*

*We're so proud
of you!
Love,
Dad, Mom, and
Liz*



Abby Van Maaren



*To a special
daughter and sis -
We cherish all the
memories!*

***Love,
Mom, Dad,
& Curtis***





Michael:
The world is full of wonderful opportunities. Prepare yourself intellectually, physically and emotionally to seize the moment. In the process, be honest, kind, understanding, respectful, and live your life to the fullest. May the Lord be always by your side. We love you very much.
 Mom & Dad

**Stephanie
 Girton
 Still a
 beautiful
 smile!**



*Dear Mom & Dad,
 You don't have to write, just send money.
 Love,
 Sarah Lynn*

Erin Johnson

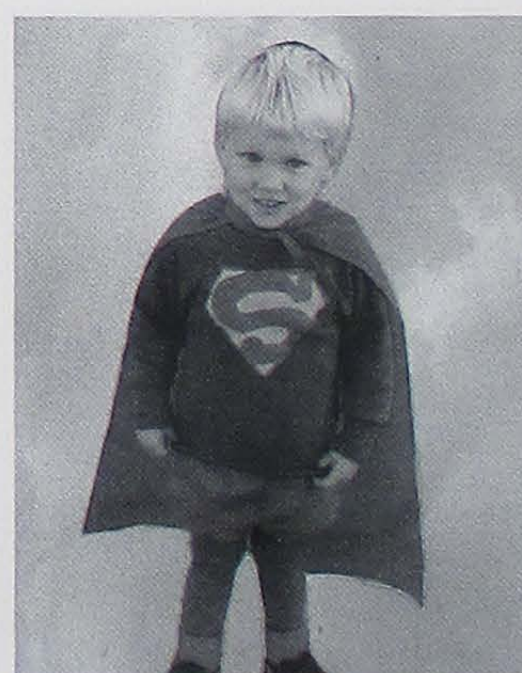


*You have filled
 our hearts with
 joy and pride!*

*Congratulations
 and God Bless
 Love,
 Dad & Mom*



Ben . . .
*"In all your ways
 acknowledge Him, and
 He will direct your
 paths"*
 Proverbs 3:6
 We love you,
 Mom, Dad, and Brock



**NOW
 YOU CAN
 FLY!**

*Carly-
Climb high
Cling far
Your goal
the sky
Your aim
--the stars
Love,
Dad, Mum & Amy*



ELIZABETH



HAVE A BALL!
LOVE FROM ALL OF US



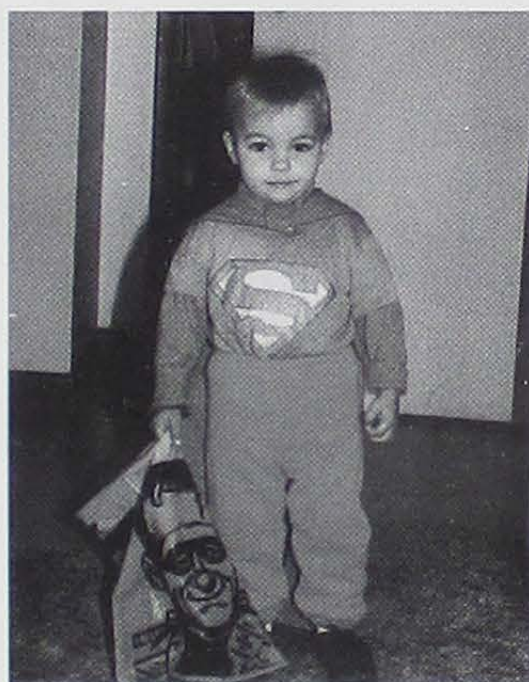
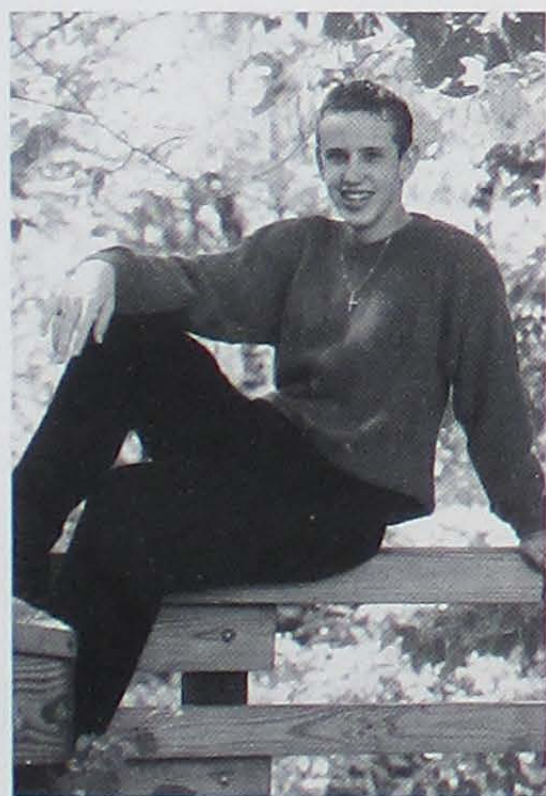
*Verónica
Que la paz del
Señor siempre
esté contigo.
Te amamos,
Alex, David y
Mami*

Adam Shaul



**A wise man
will make
more
opportunities
than he finds.**

**Love
Always,
Mom, Dad,
& Nicole**

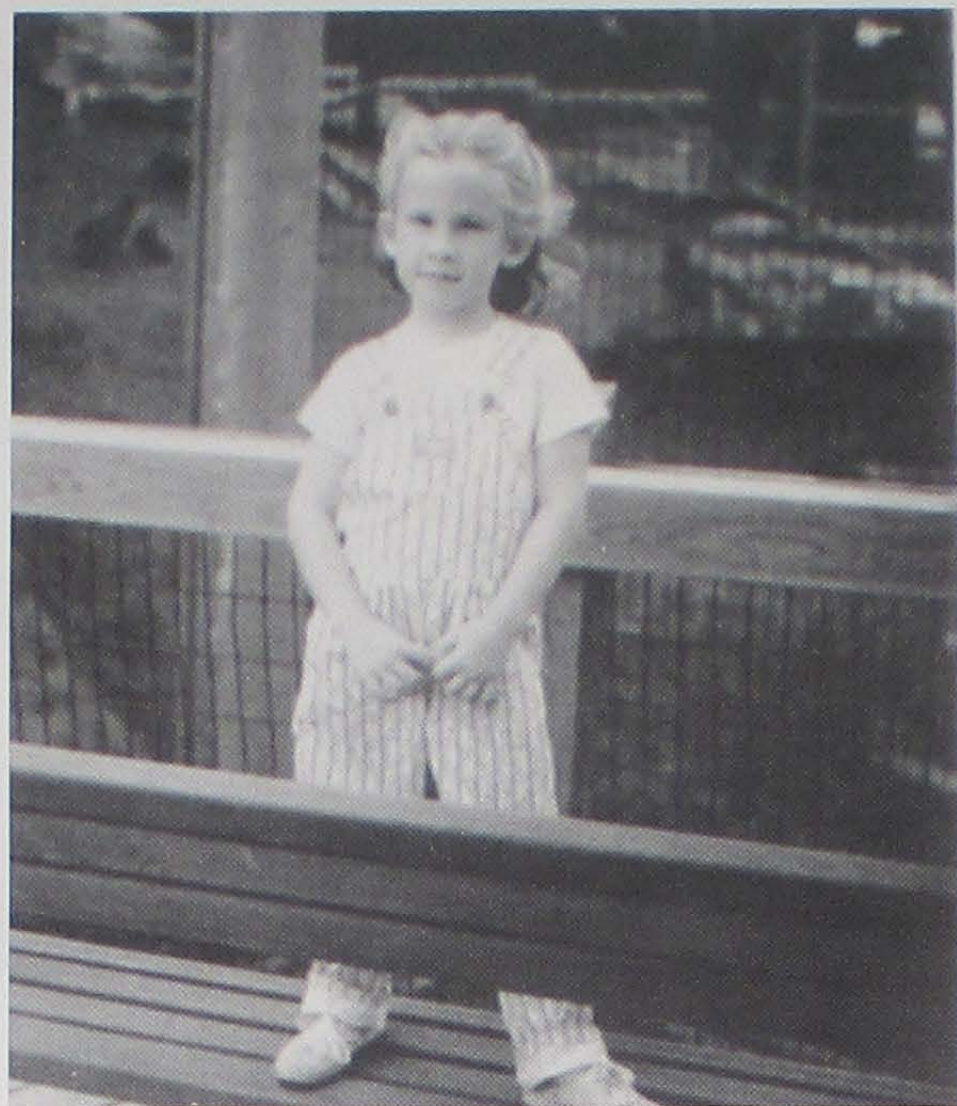


*Kris,
You're a
super kid!
We're so
proud of
you.
Love,
Mom, Dad &
Kraig*

**Rachel Tapper
Set your goals
high, cherish the
memories, and
dream for the
future. We wish
you happiness in
all that you do.
We Love You,
Dad, Mom, Sarah,
and David**



*May your heart be light.
May your dreams take flight.*



*Congratulations Ann!
Love, Dad, Mom, and Chris*



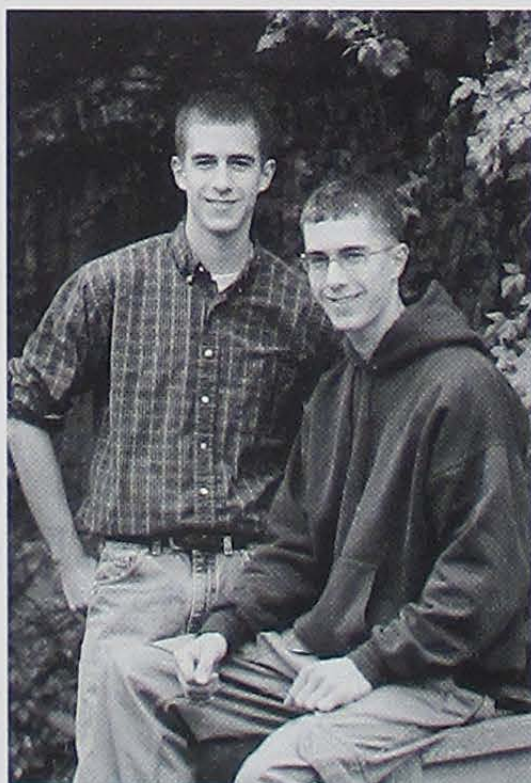
*Sarah,
As your life
unfolds, our
love will al-
ways sup-
port you.*

*Love,
Mom,
Dad,
and
Laura*



*...young men shall
fall exhausted; but
they who wait for
the Lord shall renew
their strength, they
shall mount up with
new wings like
eagles
Isaiah 40: 30-31*

*Remain strong in
your ideals. Meet
each new day as a
wonder of God and
an opportunity to
be the best you can
be.
Love,
Mom and Dad*



Leslie-

*You were our
golden idea!*



*Love Always,
Mama
& Papa*

Mark Kempema Bokhoven



*May you continue
to share your
talents, laughter
and genuine
concern for others
as you pursue
your dreams.*

*Our love and
prayers are with
you always.*

*Mom & Dad
Nicolas & Eric*



**"Where do we
go from here?"**



**Congratulations
Anna & Scott!**

Brandon Crase

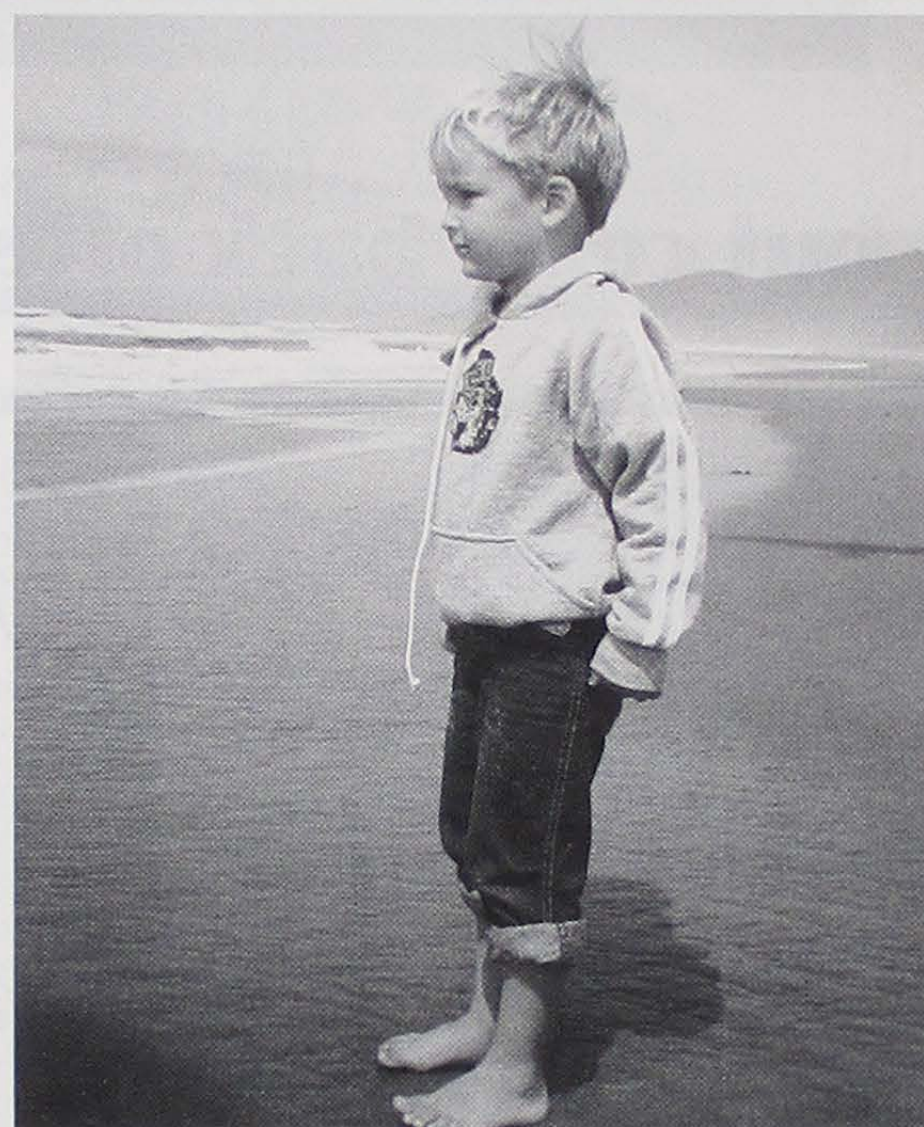


You have enriched our livew with your love,
your sportsmanship, your vibrant sence of
humor, your life. We will be behind you as
your reach for your dreams.

Love,
Mommy, Daddy, and Kirsten

Peter Acker Bon Voyage!

From
Rob
Katherine
Jane
Daivd



**LIFE IS WILD
ENJOY THE
RIDE!
LOVE,
MOM & DAD
APRIL & HEIDI**

Andrea Steele

We love you!
Dad, Mom,
Angie & Anna





**Go far Nate,
but come back often.**



Emily Grace
*We are thankful for you and
your achievements. Continue
meet life and its challenges with
the same confidence and
enthusiasm you have always
shown. Remember, you will
always be our princess.*

*Love,
Mom & Dad*

*A rainy day to
remember
And friends you
won't soon forget...
Make AHS some-
thing special
For the good times
you'll never regret!*

*Good luck to
you both!*



Keep a song in your heart, Christa!



*The Lord is my strength
and my shield;
My heart trusts in Him,
and I am helped.
My heart leaps for joy
And I will give
thanks to Him in song.*

Psalms 28:7

We Love you,

Mom, Dad and Andrea



Congratulations Shelley!



We are so
proud of you.



Love,
Mom, Dad,
Stuart, Callie
& Erik

Meredith Mull

Keep your eye on the goal!



We Love You.

Mom, Dad, Matt, Jason, Justin,
Courtney



**"CAN WE STOP HAVING
SO MUCH FUN YET?"**

NO, NOT YET.

CONGRATULATIONS

ALISON!

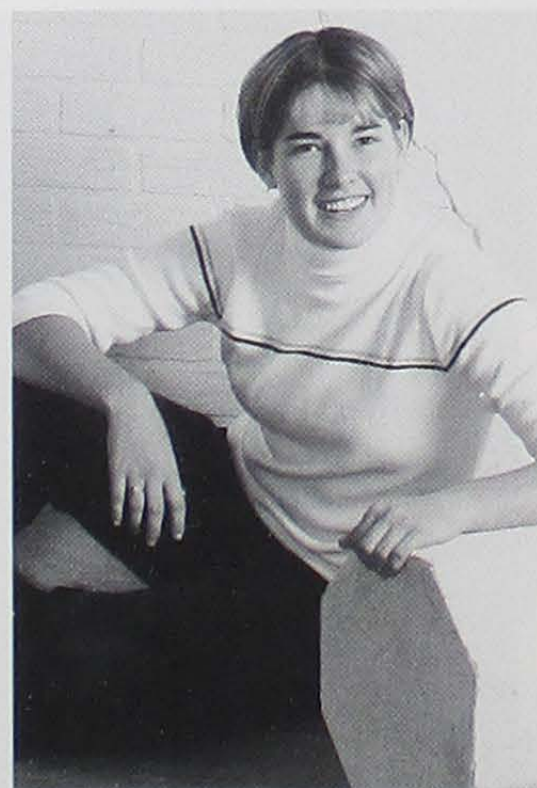
LOVE,

MOM, DAD, & ANDY



Heather,

*"May you
always have a
smile on your face
and laughter in
your heart."*



Love,
Mom, Dad,
and Staci

Jessica Marie Elliott



*If you shoot for
the moon and
miss, you'll land
among the stars.
You have always
been our very
special star.*



*We're very
proud of you.
Love,
Mom, Dad,
Krista*

Congratulations Meridith



*"What you are is God's gift to you. What
you become is your gift to God."
Every day with you has been a gift of joy.
We love you always,
Mom, Dad & Ti*

Jennifer

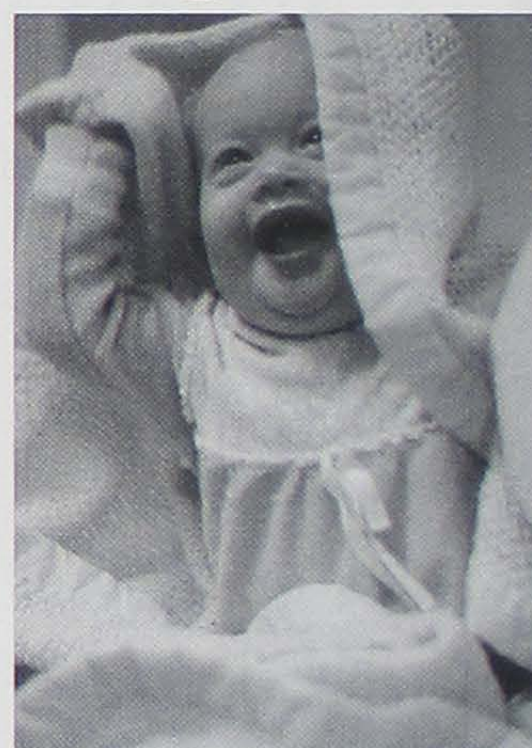


**Go forth and
conquer.**



**Dad, Mom,
Matt, Wesley
& Traci**

Congratulations Kristin!



Remembering our times
spent together.....
Seeing blazing Florida
sunsets
Feeling the icy surf of
the Pacific waters
Rolling across the
countryside on Amtrak
Listening to "tunes"
from the past

Little Miss Magic

Laughing at the pets'
escapades
Treasuring these memo-
ries as you stop bolding
forward
Wishing you all the best
Succeeding in all you do!
**Our love always,
Mom and Dad**



Your Future is Bright

Congratulations, Eric!



"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles..."

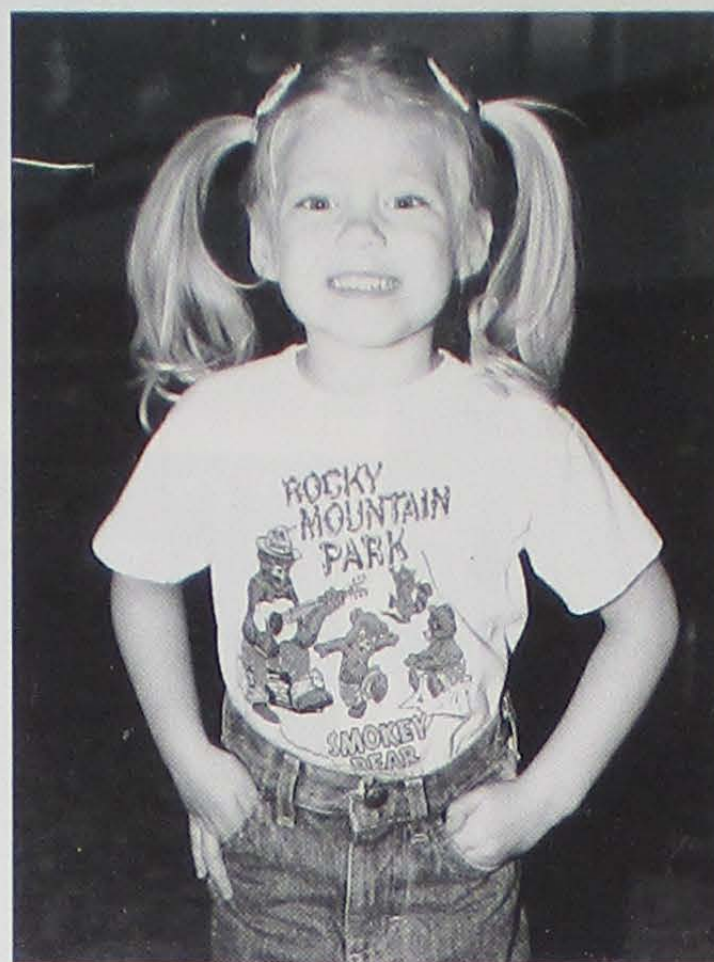
Isaiah 40:31

You are a special part of our family. We're so proud of you and excited about your future!



We love
you,
Mom, Dad,
Nathan &
Andrea

JOAN Finally Done!



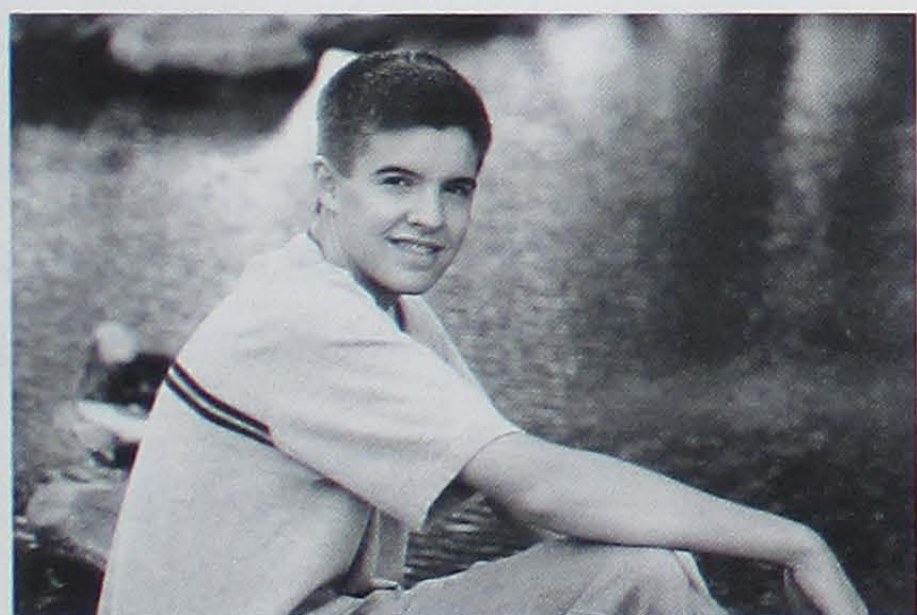
*It's been 18 fast, good years.
Good luck on the rest.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Doug*

CONGRATULATIONS, JIM!



WE LOVE YOU AND ARE
PROUD OF YOU.
THANKS FOR ALL THE
LAUGHS.
LOVE,
MOM, DAD, LINDSAY,
AND SAM



Nater, Wake Up!



**It's time to
GRADUATE!
Love Dad & Karen**

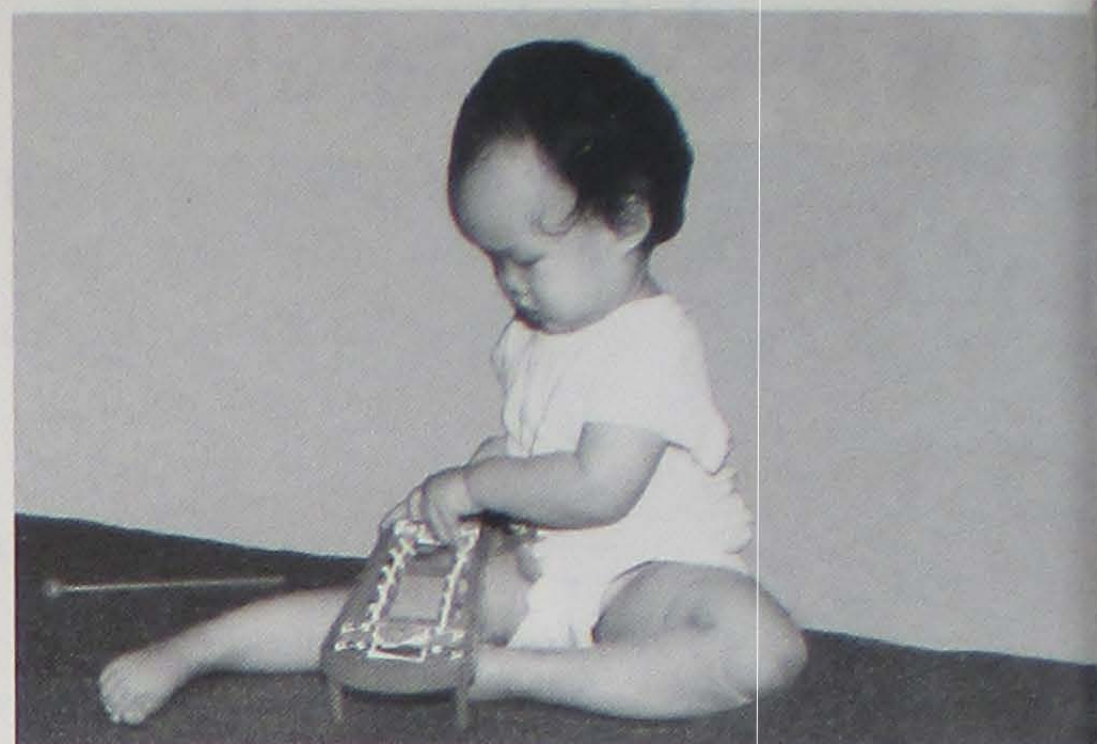
Congratulations Melanie!



*Why do you remind us
of the WILD ROSE OF
IOWA?
Never stop looking for
the answer.*



*Love always
Mom and Dad*



*Praise God with the sounding of the trumpet.
Praise Him with the harp and lyre.
Praise Him with tambourine...
Praise Him with strings and flute.
Praise Him with the clash of cymbals.
Praise Him with resounding cymbals.
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.*

Psalm 150

*With joy and anticipation,
Dad, Mom, Wern*

*Dear Dekel,
Even though your obvious enthusiasm for ISU
has waned since you wore that cute baby
sweatshirt, we know you have four great years
ahead of you at your chosen university. We will
miss you every day, so visit home often!*

*Love,
Imma, Abba, Aviv, Sarit, Barak, and
Tookie Bookie*



*Life is a gift, waiting everyday to be
unwrapped anew. Go live your dreams
passionately. We're all very proud of you.*

Elissa

With all our love

Congratulations Ryan!!!

I'm like a clock
I'm always going
clocks come in different sizes
Some are creative
They're dependable
Tic Toc Tic Toc I'm still going



Love,
Mom, Dad &
Jennie



ROLF PLACE

CONGRATULATIONS, ROLF!
REACH FOR THE STARS AND
MAKE ALL YOUR DREAMS
COME TRUE!
LOVE, MOM, DAD, KIRSTI,
NICK & MARIT



*Another grand entrance into the world!
Thank you for blessing us with your winning
smile and your heart of gold.*



Love,
Dad &
Mom



Becky

Congratulations!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Ben,
Flapjack and
Spot



Congratulations
Luke!

We wish you
much happiness
and success in
your future.
Love, Mom, Dad
and Allison



Congratulations, Chelsea Fitch!



All the world loves our Chelsea.
Just why? 'Tis easy to see!
She's been a winner her lifelong,
And's succeeded spectacularly!
Love, Mom, Murphy, and Kippy,
And last, though not least, Baylee

AMANDA



We'll love you
forever,
We'll like you
for always,
As long as we're
living,
Our extraordinary
daughter you'll be.



CONGRATULATIONS!
MOM & DAD

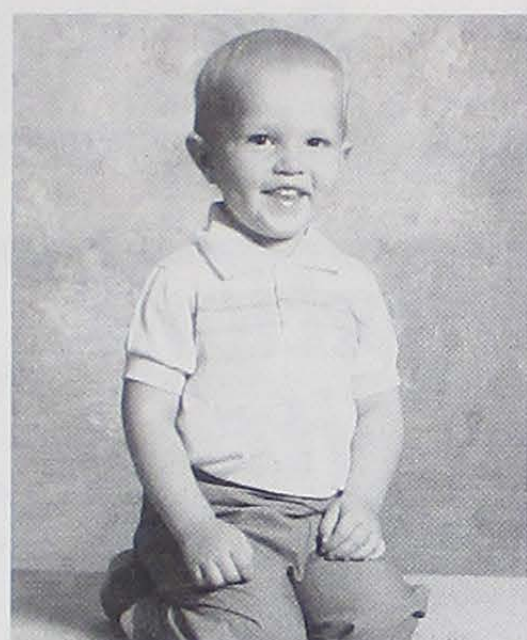
Jordan



When you grow up to be
rich and famous, I'll be
right there to borrow
money!

Your Big Brother, Brandon

David A. R. Melby



May your life and those
you touch be filled with
music and laughter.

Love Always,
Dad, Mom, Kristin & Dobi

Lori,



We are so
proud of
you for the
person you
have grown
up to be. We
love you.
Keep smiling
and stay
sweet.

Love,

Dad, Mom, Graham, Jenny, Amit, Keegan, Barb,
Andy, Katelyn, Karen and Debbie



Allyson

Believe in yourself as much as
we believe in you. Go for the
stars Sweetheart--the future is
YOURS.

We love you very much, honey.

Love Mom, Dad and

Ashley

ELLIOTT

The best gifts are tied
with heartstrings. You
are a gift of love and joy
to us.

Love,

Mom, Dad, and Earl



Luke



Thank you for all of the wonderful memories you have given to us! Let your heart be your guide to your future.

Congratulations Luke!

Love, Mom, Dad & Joe

Where are you going little one?



We've loved being along for this part of the trip - school, friends, sports - laughter, tears, and joy!

Now you're really ready to fly!

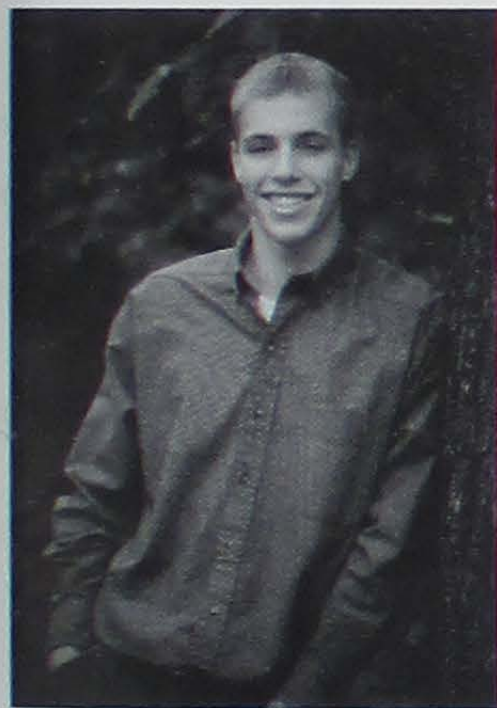
All our love, to the moon and back...

Mom, Dad & Melissa



To infinity and beyond!

Jordan & Jessie



*Friends then...
Friends now...
Friends forever...*

Love,
The Moms,
Dads, and
Sibs



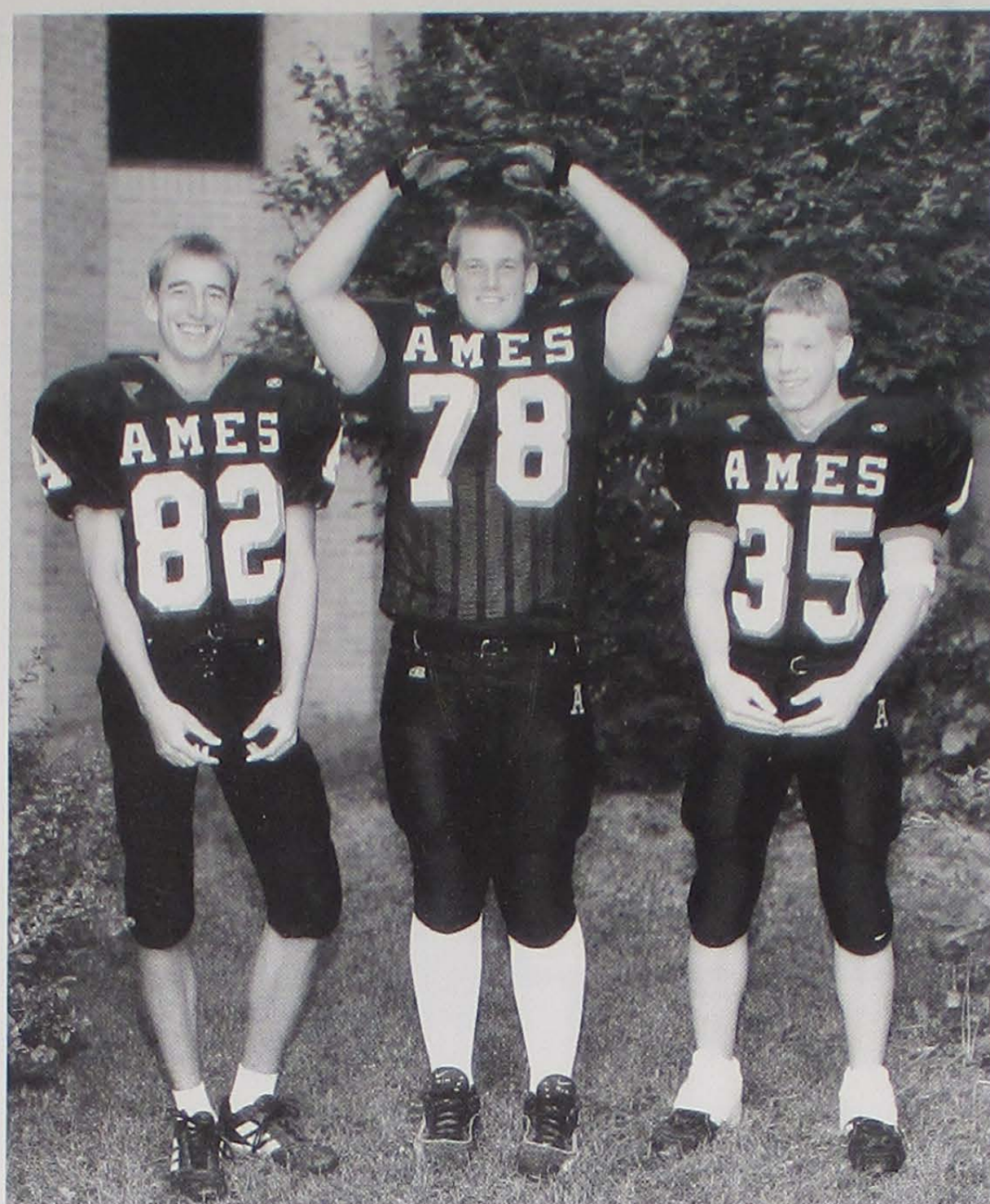
JORDAN WHALEN

**"LIFE IS LIKE A BOX
OF CHOCOLATES.
YOU NEVER KNOW
WHAT YOU'RE GOING
TO GET."
HAVE FUN FINDING
OUT!**



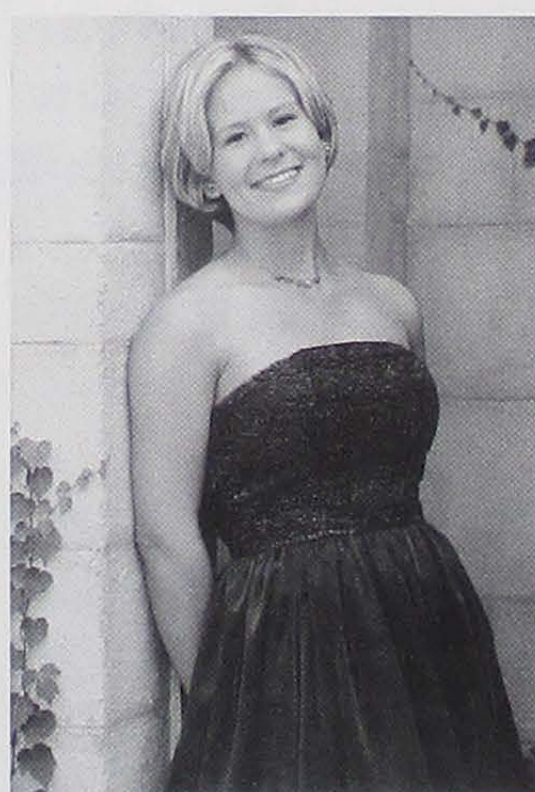
**LOVE YA,
MOM, DAD,
JENNY, BRANDON
& BEASLEY**





You've seen them block and run and pass
 But these three guys can also dance.
 Long before they tackled foes,
 I watched their tiny tapping toes.
 And so to Jamie, Ben and Ty,
 I wish you all a fond good-bye.
 Though football's great, with all its joys
 You'll always be my dancing boys.

SUNSHINE



WE'RE PROUD OF YOU!
WE'LL LOVE YOU FOREVER!
MOM, DAD, & JULIE



To Our Erica

*Where are you going, my little one?
 Where are you going my baby, my own?
 Turn Around, and you're two,
 Turn Around, and you're four,
 Turn around and you're a young girl going out the door
 Where are you going, my little one?
 Little dirndells, and petticoats, where have you gone
 Turn Around, and you are tiny,
 Turn Around and you're grown.*

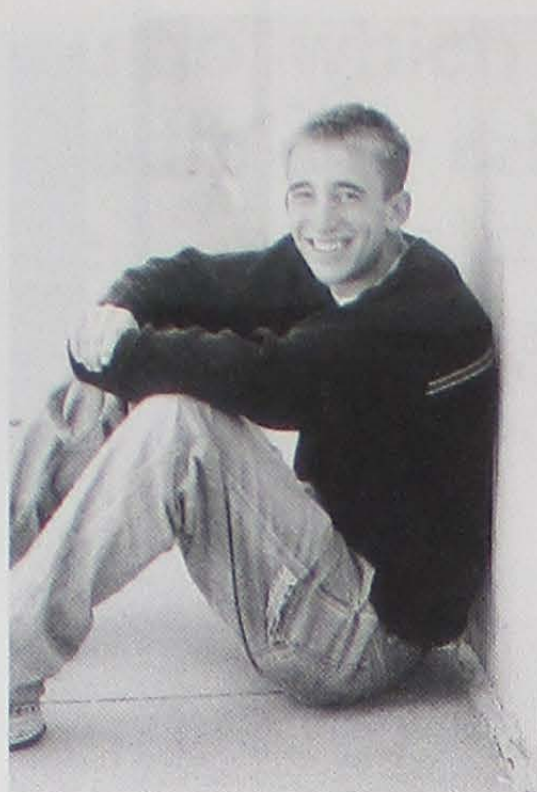


Love Mom, Dad and Scott

"He's going, he's going, he's gone!"



Congratulations,
Jamo!
We've tried to
give you roots.
Now its time for
you to find your
wings.
We love you!
Dad, Mom, and
Mik



"Friendship," said
Christopher Robin,
"is a very comforting
sort of thing to have."
- A.A. Milne



JOEY,
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU.
THANKS FOR ALL THE GREAT
MEMORIES. THE BEST IS YET
TO BE, SO DO IT WELL!
LOVE ALWAYS,
MOM, DAD, CHRISY & AMY

Nathan,
You are a great
son and brother.
Always follow
your dream.
We love you!
Mom, Woody &
Brooke



*Together we've made it
through 3 years, and
together we'll cherish the
last.*



Matt Murphy



DOUBLE:
KEEP THOWIN' IT!
KEEP PICKIN' IT!
KEEP ON PUTTIN' IT DOWN!
NEVER GIVE IN
TO THE HEIGHT OF THE WORLD!



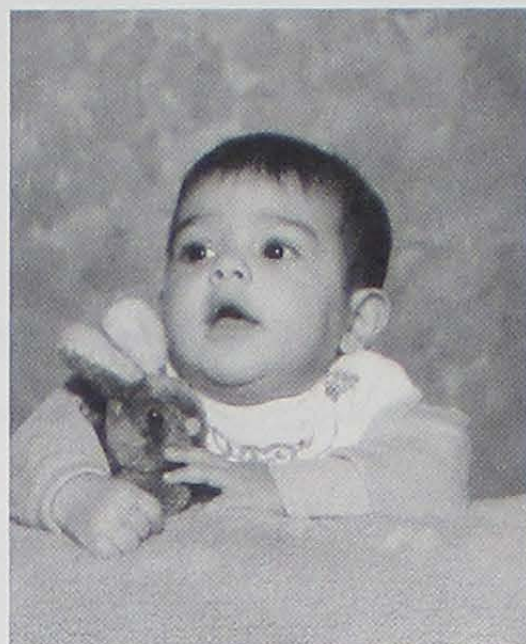
*Love,
Your Mom and Dad*

Sara Kamyalb



We wish you
success and
happiness in
all you do.

Our love and
support are
always with
you.
Love,
Your family



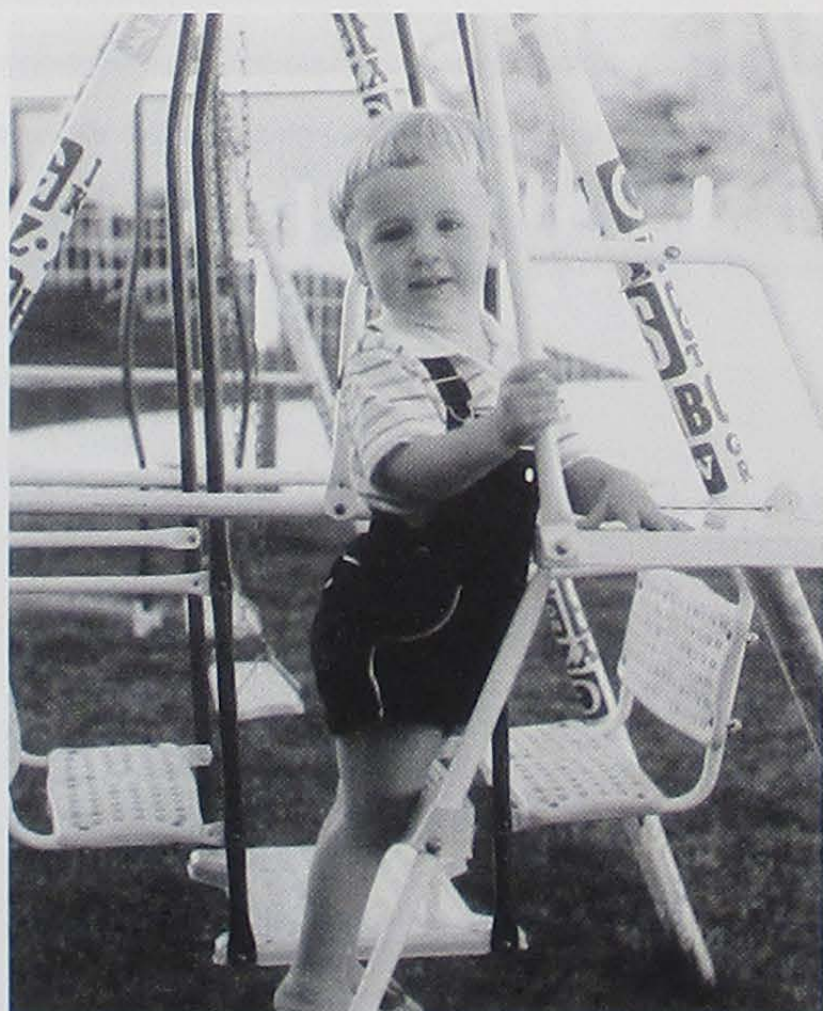
Congratulations Mandy



Act I
was
great.
Act II
will be
even
better!
We love
you!

Mom, Dad and John

Look out world, here comes . . . Nick Galvin



We are behind you every step of
the way!
Love, your family and friends!

Kate



Enjoy each place you come to.
Love,
Mum and Dave

Best of Luck, Milana Sue Richardson

Good luck in everything you do, which
we are sure will be incredible.

Mom, Dad, & Eric

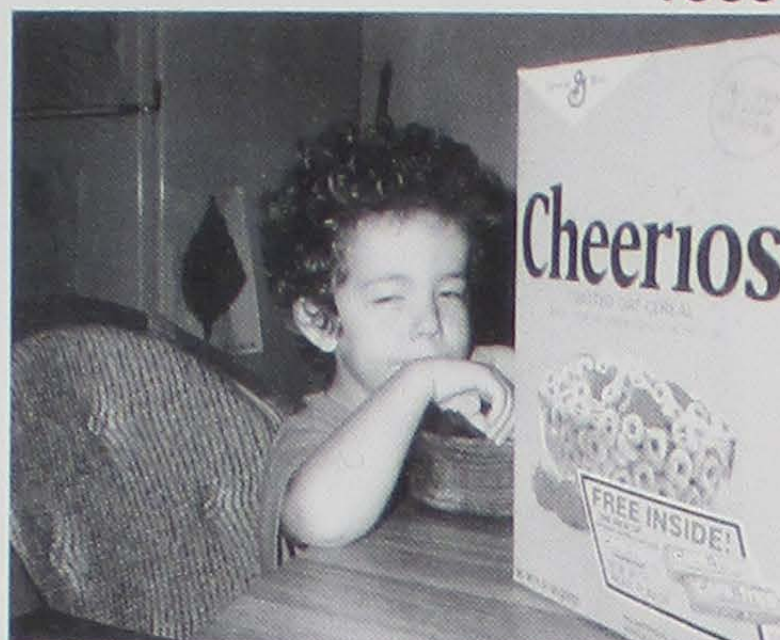
2001



"I'm smiling because my
Chemistry lab is done"

**Yesterday is history,
tomorrow a mystery, today
is a gift. That's why it's
called the present.**

1989



"I hate mornings, I hate this cereal,
and I hate cameras. You're zero
for three, Mister Photographer"

1983



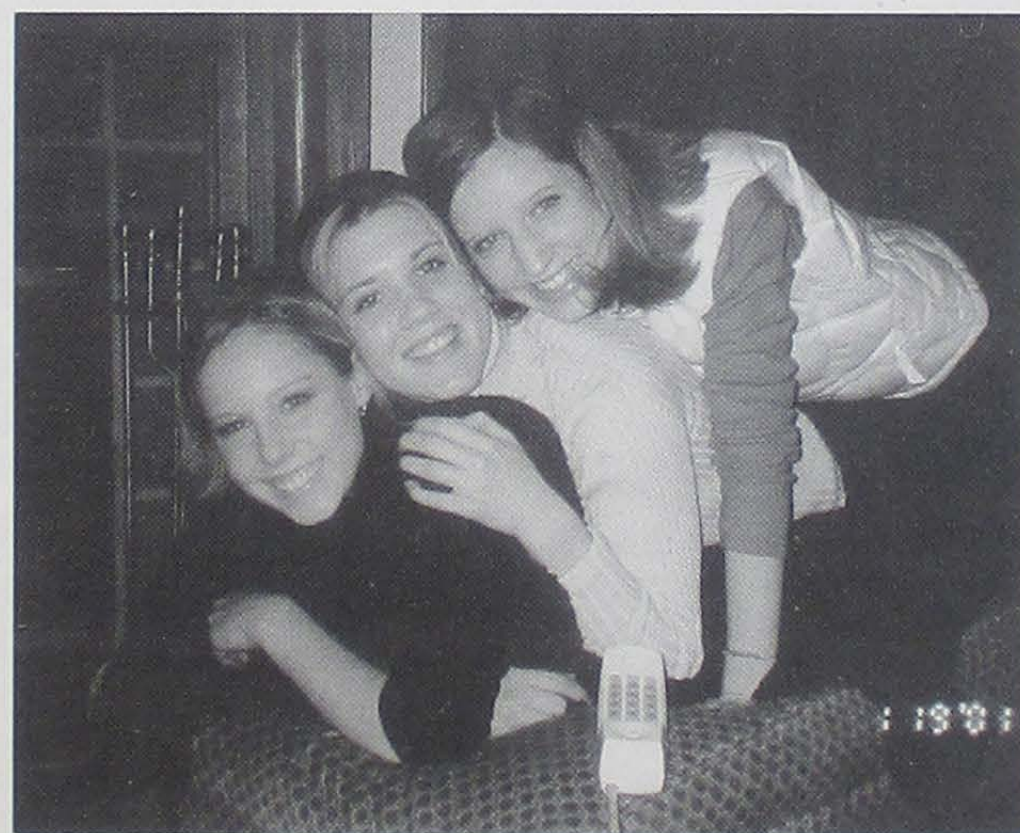
"I wish they'd put some water in this tub"

*"Friends forever, through the
good times and the bad times."*



Sara and Krysia

*"Sometimes the friends we search so
hard to find, were beside us all along."*



Katie Erica Anna

*No matter what, the two of you were there.
Thank you for showing me what best friends are.
- Ek*

Congratulations, Senior Dancers!

Alison Back, Jennifer Yates,
Christa Miller, Jessica Kinyon,
Tara Webb, Meredith Morgan,
Stephanie Inglett, Carly
Mortensen, Kristin White,
Sarah Wakefielf, Kelley Kunz,
Joan Warren



BASH



BROTHERS

You always miss 100% of the
shots you don't take.

GOOD LUCK

FROM THE MOMS & DADS

G R A N D s o n
IT'S BEEN
G R E A T
WATCHING YOU GROW



G R A N D I O S E
E X P E R I E N C E S
S C O U T S / C H O R U S
W R E S T L I N G / S O C C E R

Good Luck

from your GRANDparents

WRESTLING ☆ State ☆ SOCCER

Challenges Accomplished

EAGLE SCOUT



MADRIGAL SINGER

Opportunities Ahead

COLLEGE & ADULTHOOD

GOOD LUCK
From Mom & Dad

QUEENS OF CLUBS
DON'T FORGET LINDA



TEAM SCROG - WE'LL ALWAYS
HAVE A HOME AT PERKINS AND IN
OR FALLING OUT OF LORI'S VAN

Courtney
You're still the one



Love,
Jack

Keep out of
TREBLE

TO THE MADRIGAL SENIORS



Keep your lives in tune and harmony

You'll always
have a BASS
in Ames

FROM YOUR PARENTS

Thank you to all the family and friends who
placed ads this year! You've played a great part in
making the 2000/2001 book truly meaningful!

--SPIRIT

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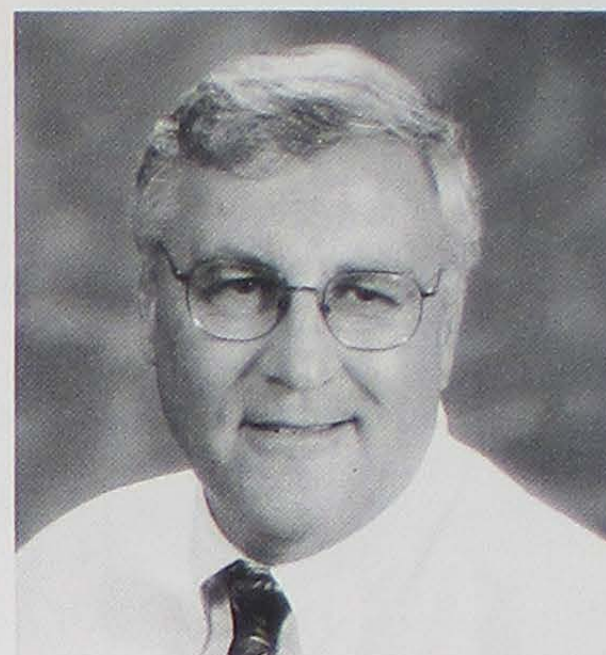
staff



Candy Albaugh
Level 1a



Linda Andorf
Special Education



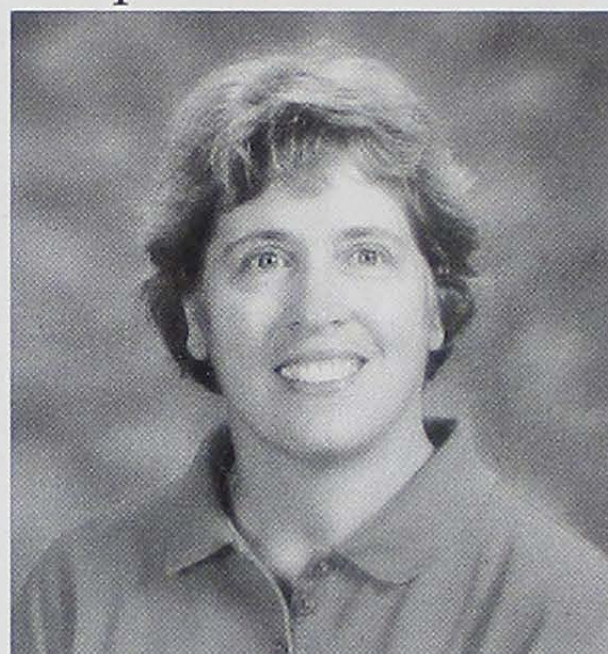
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Associate Principal



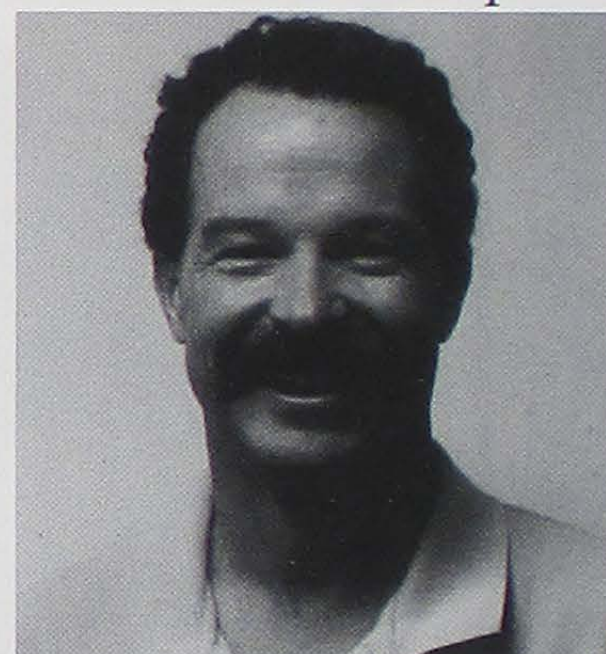
Cris Berger
District Activity Account



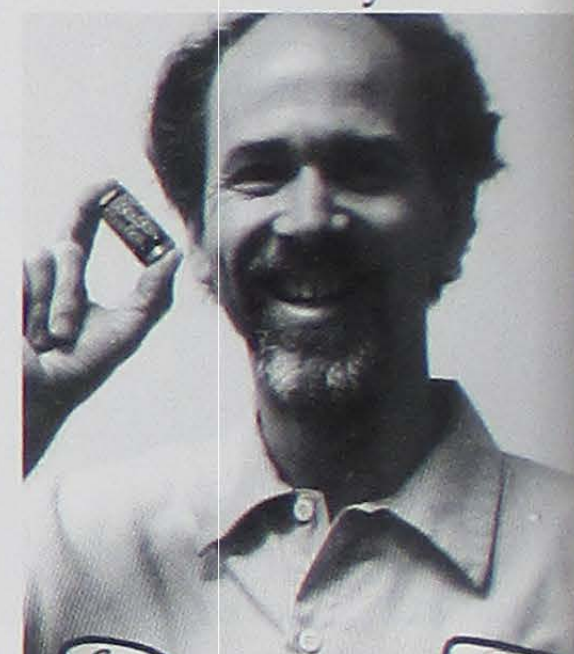
Bev Best
Parking Lot Attendent



Carolyn Bolinger
Social Studies



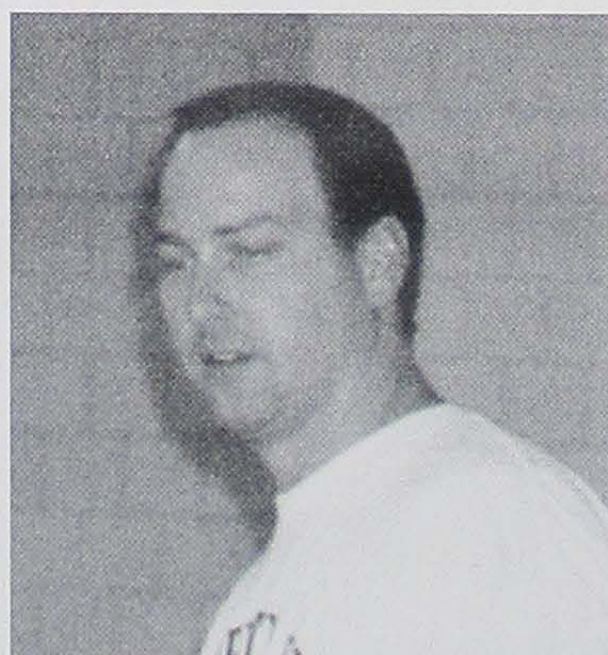
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Industrial Technology



James Brockway
Janitor



Tonja Brooks
English



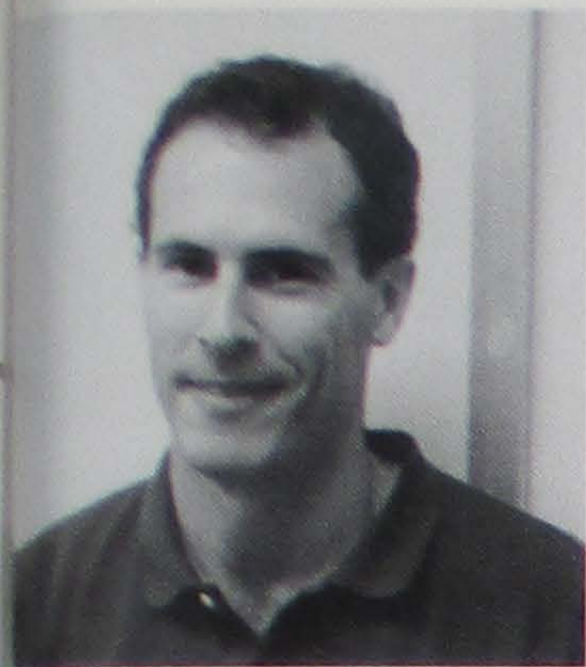
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Physical Education



Julie Bryant
Counselor



Mary Buck
Science



John Burke
Dean of Students



Kim Burnett
Health



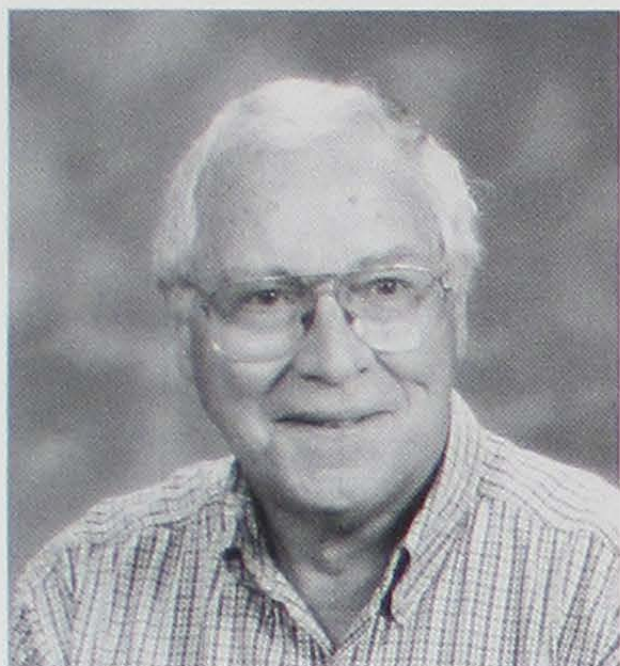
Judi Burris
Educational Assistant



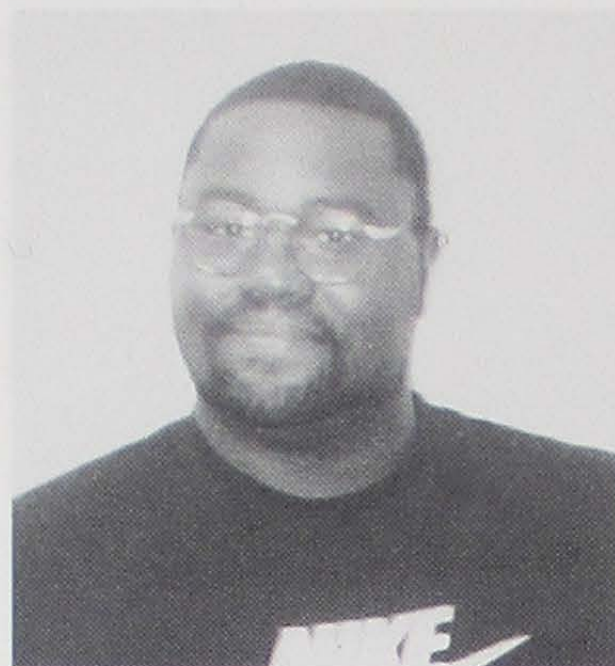
Anna Burton
Door Monitor



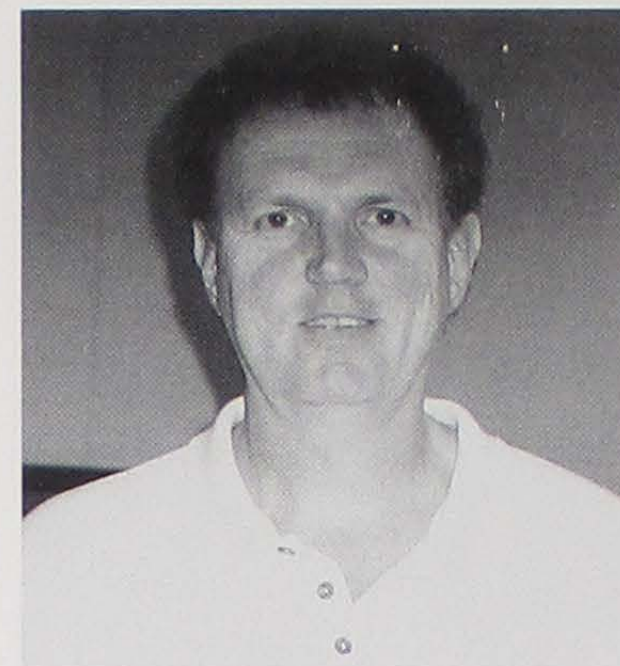
Lucy Carey
Level 1a



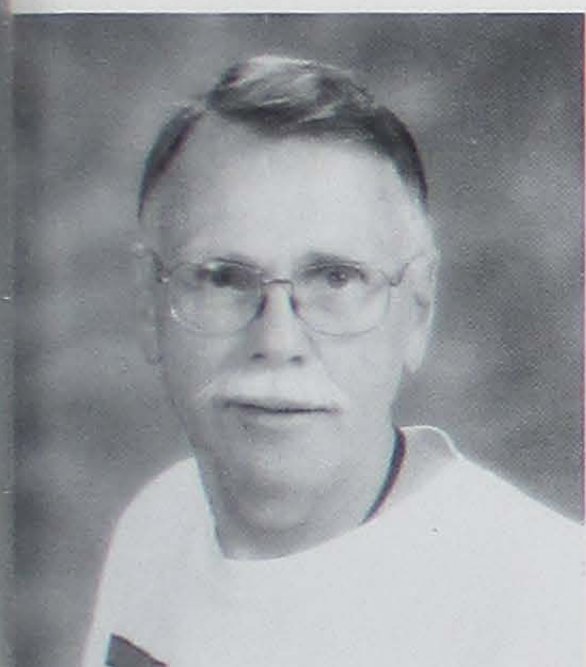
Keith Carlson
English



Ron Chieves
Hall Monitor



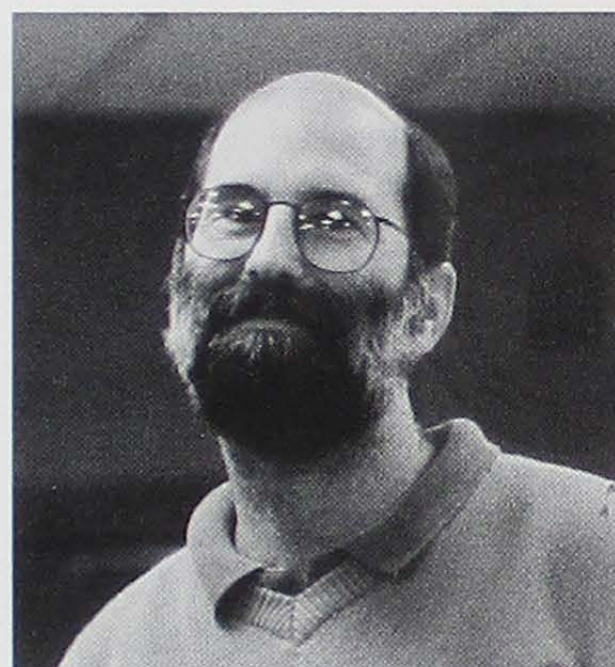
Dennis Cullinan
Social Studies



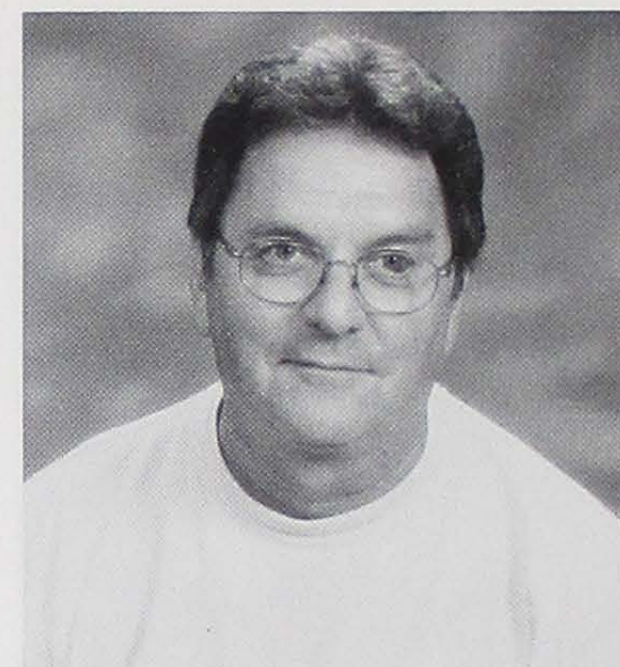
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Social Studies



Allison DiBlasi
Counselor



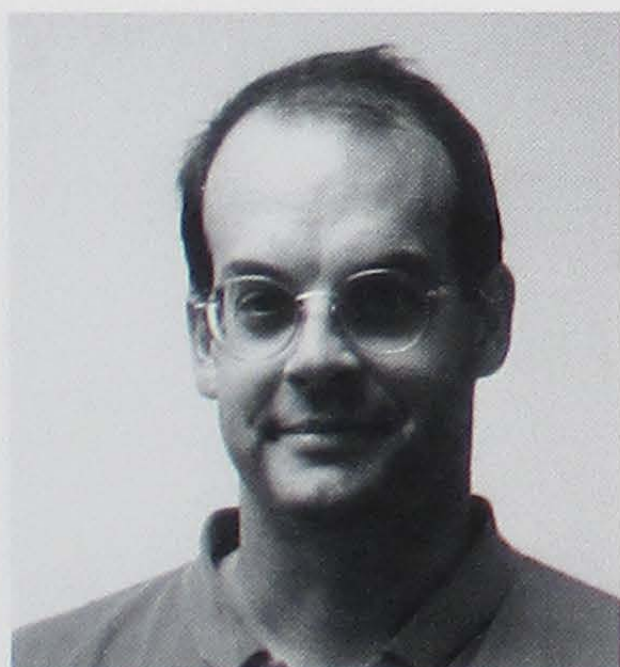
Jeff Dilks
Science



Harold Dorr
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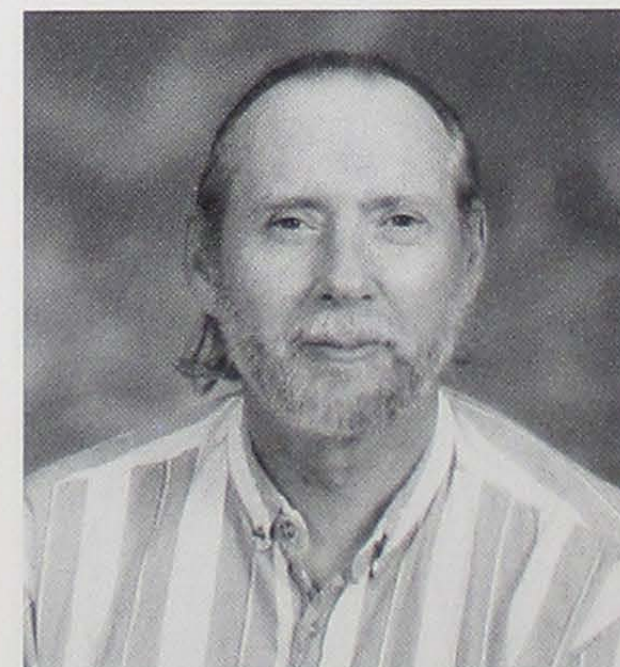
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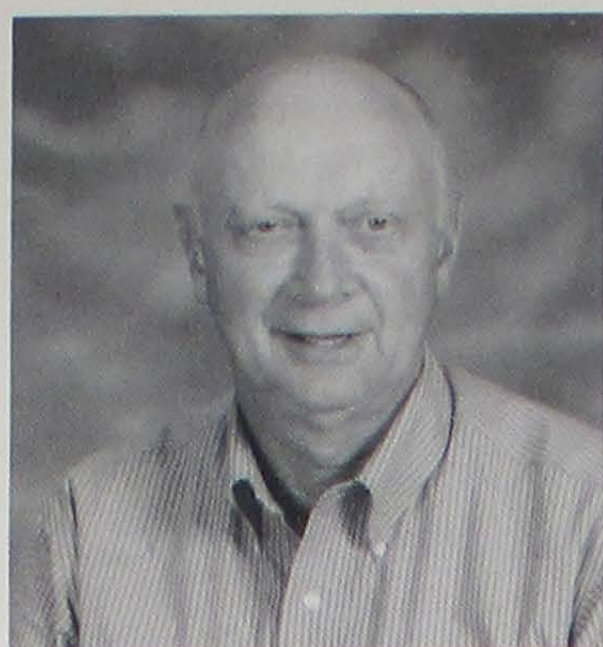
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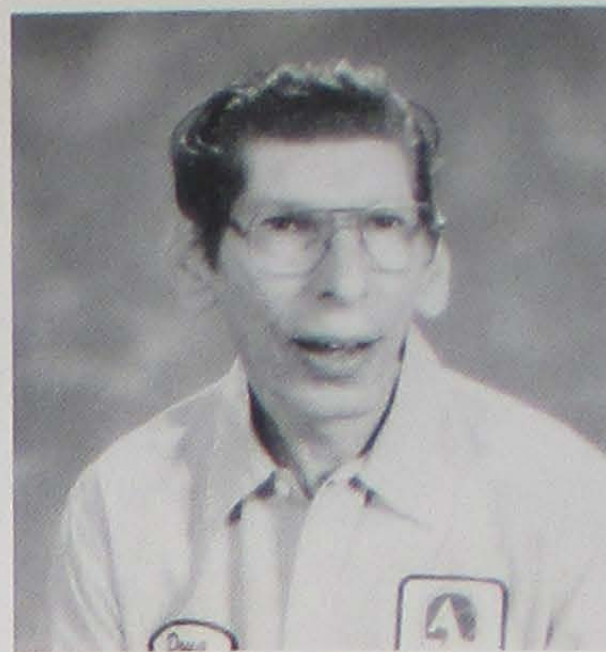
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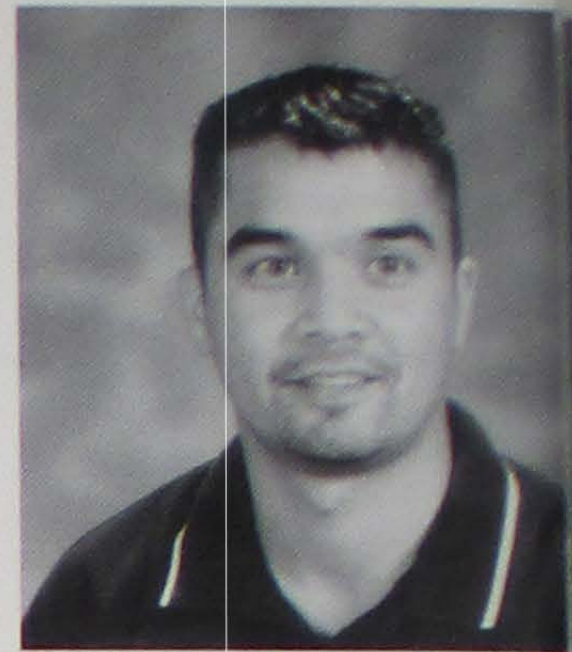
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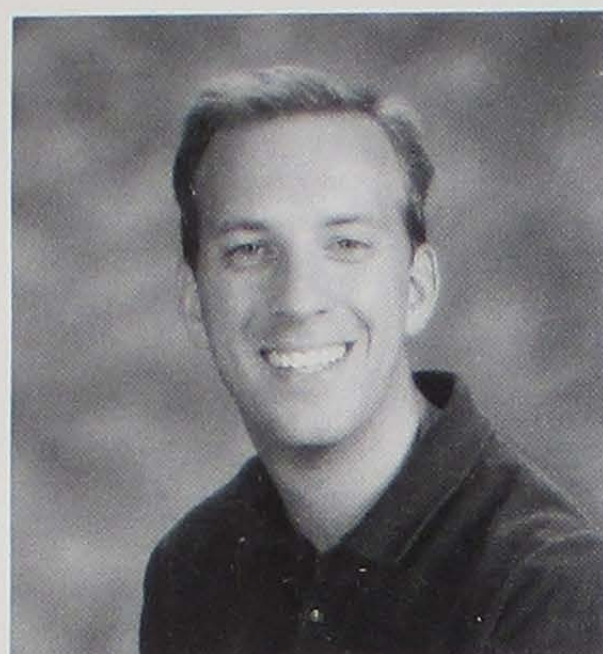
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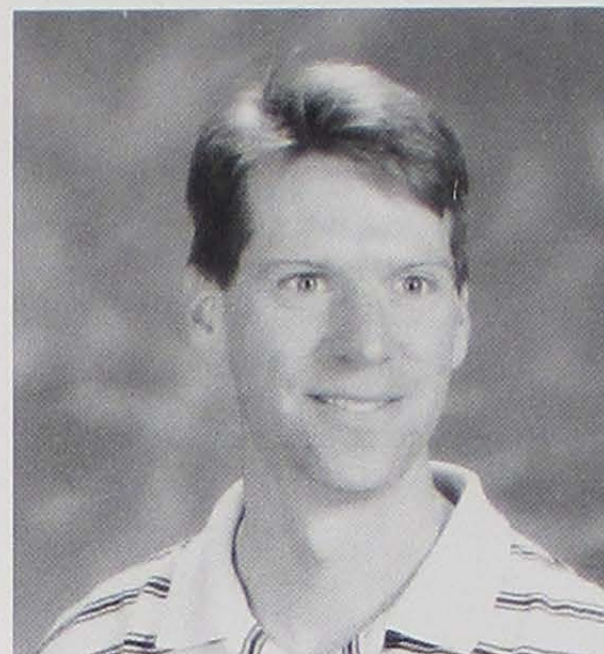
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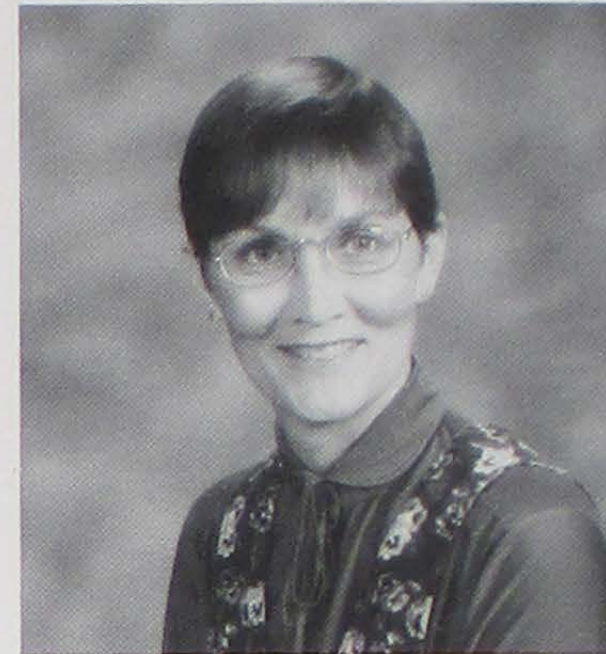
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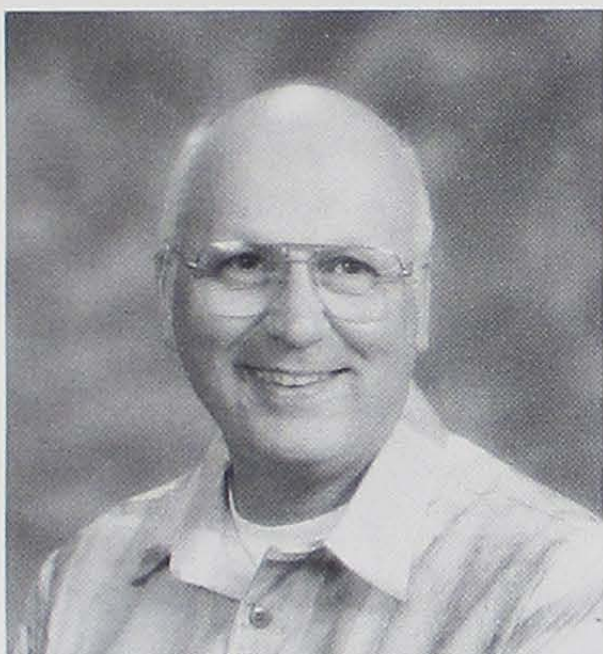
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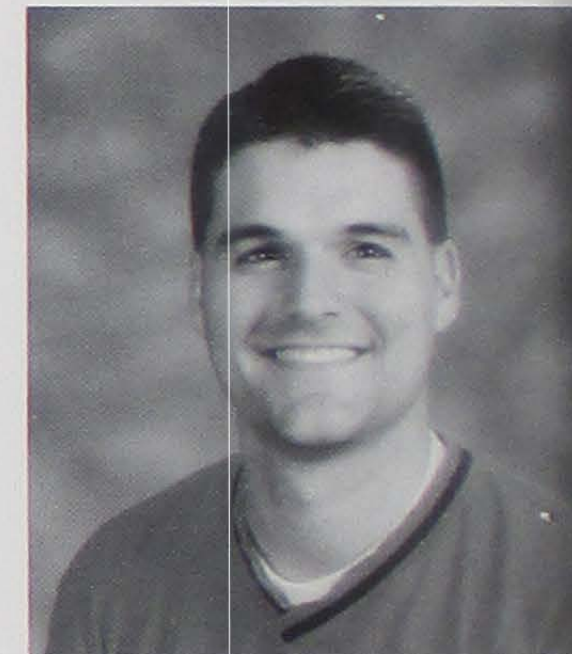
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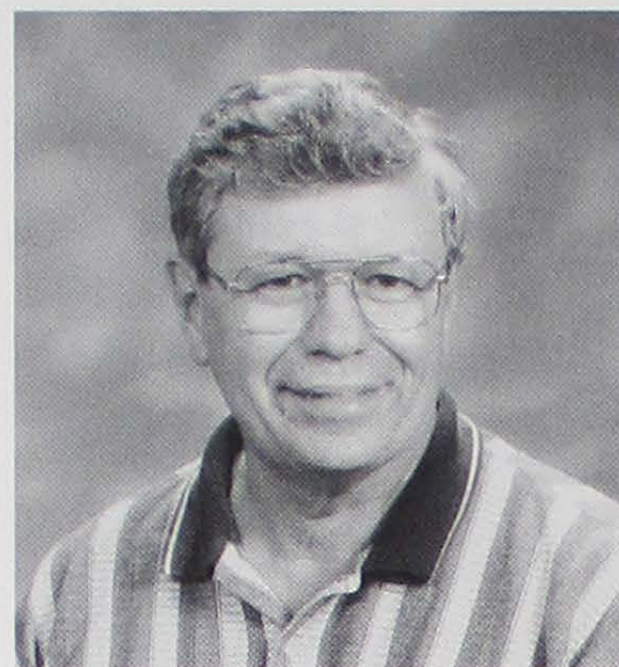
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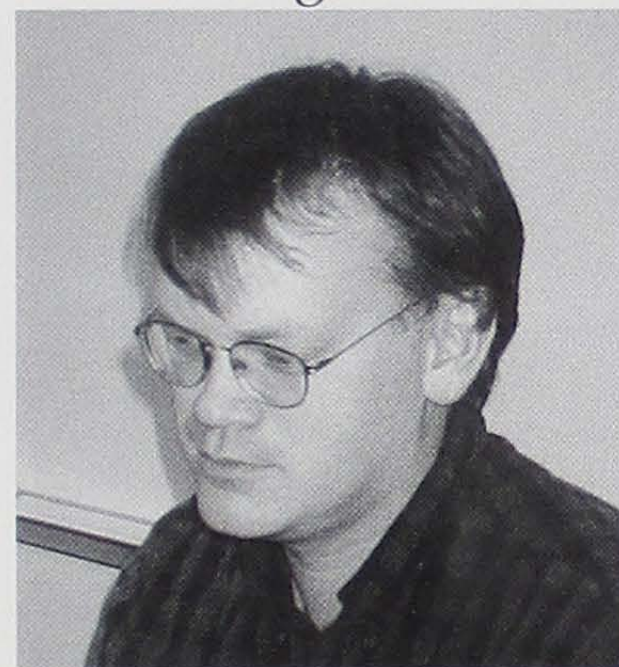
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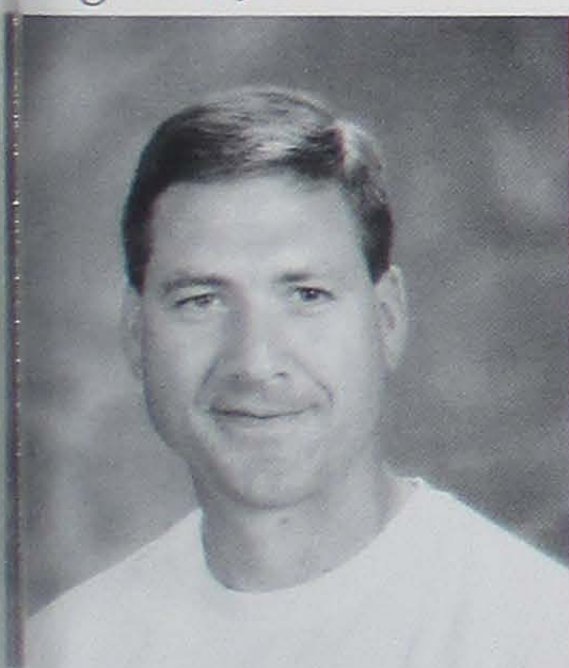
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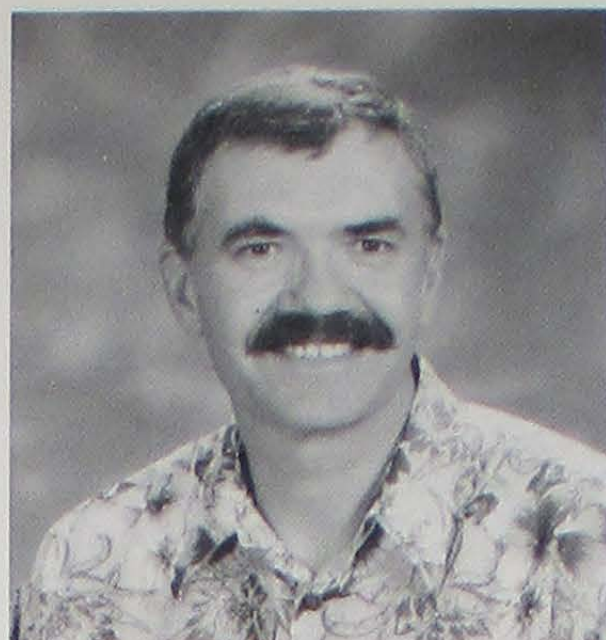
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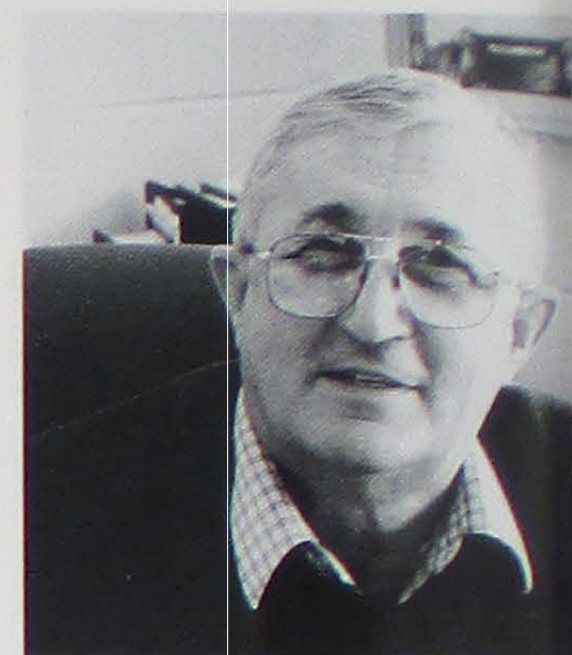
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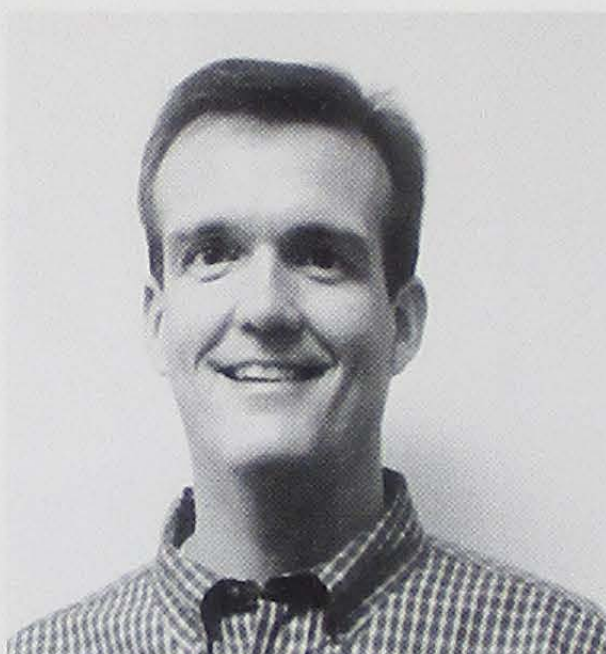
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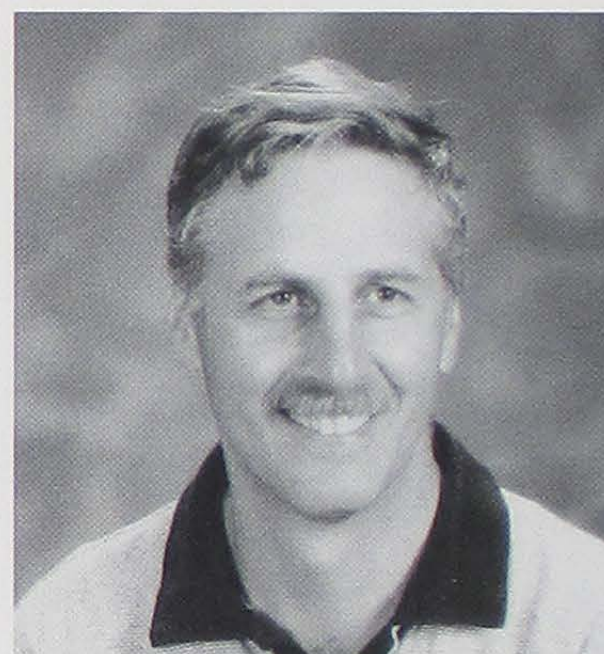
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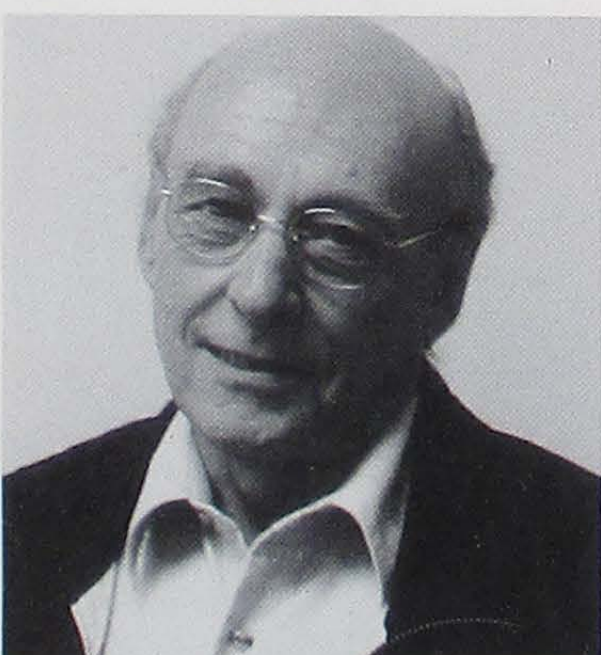
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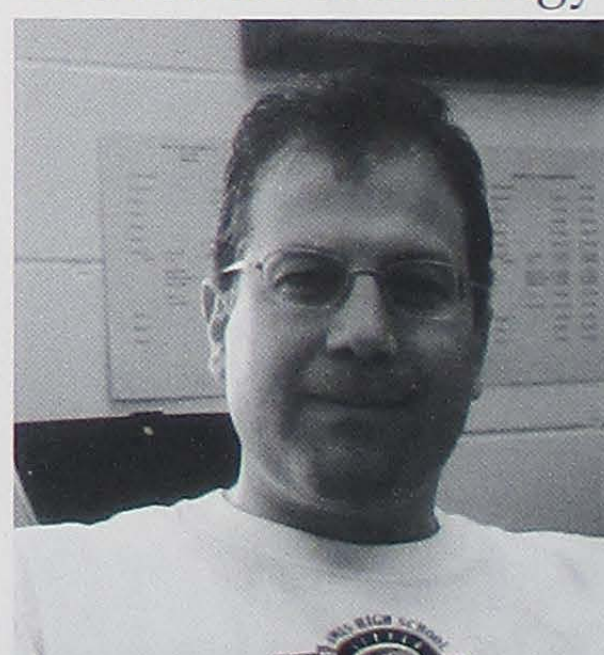
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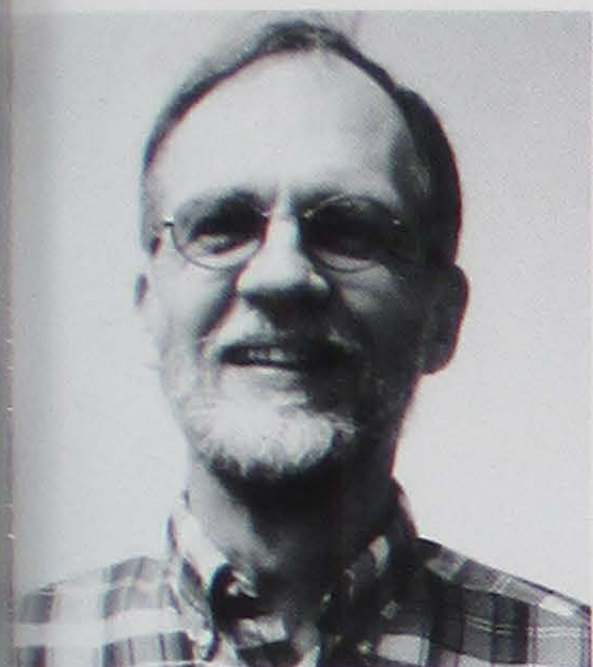
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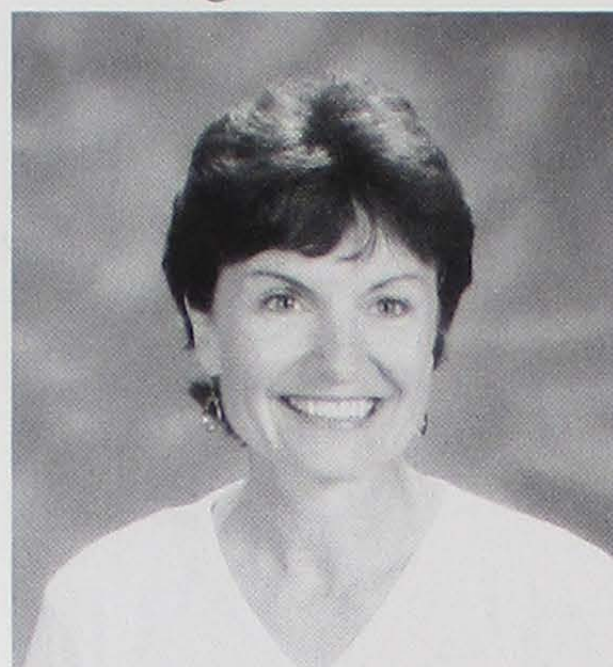
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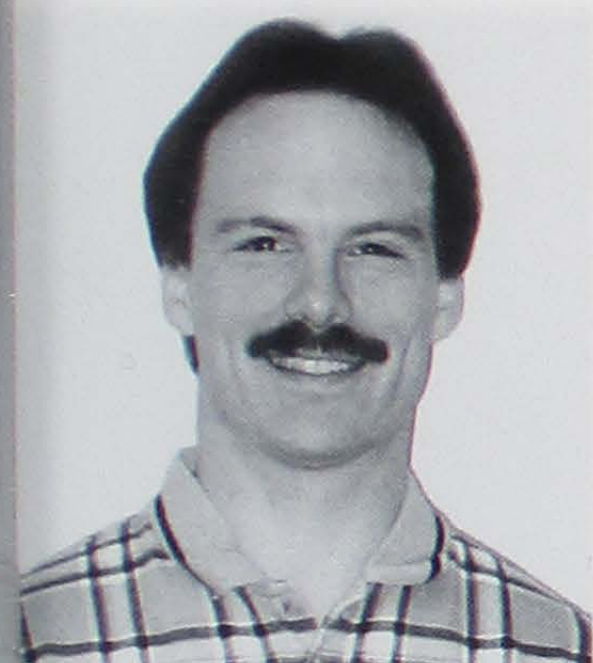
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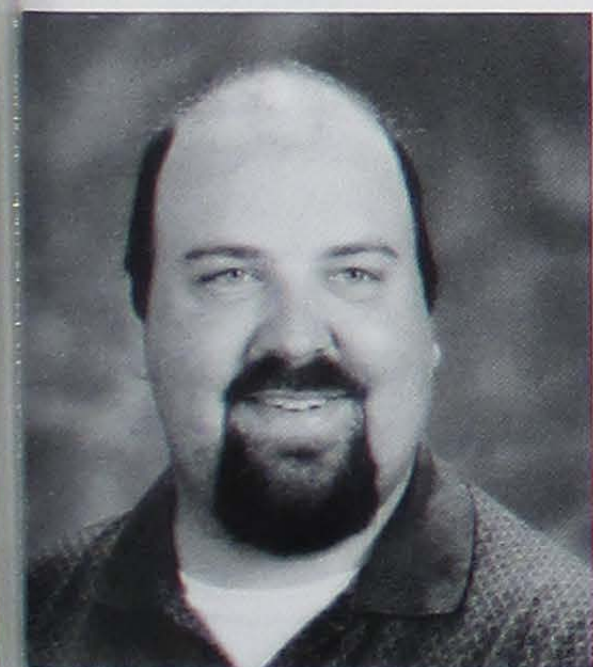
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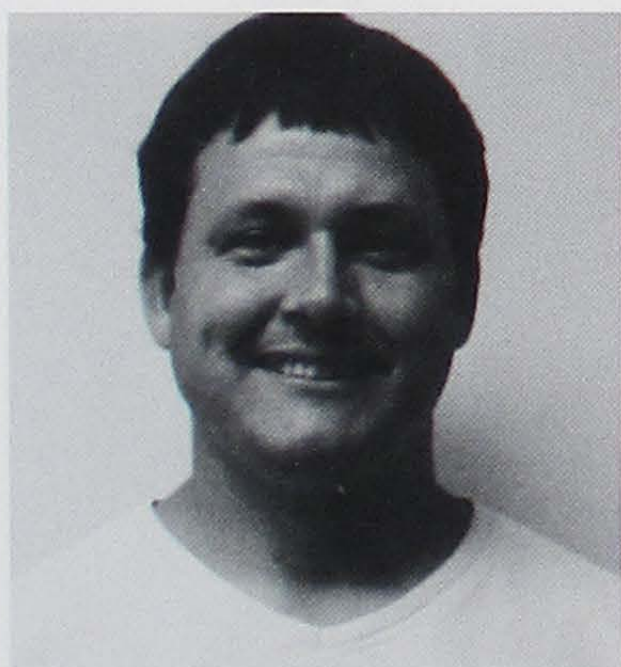
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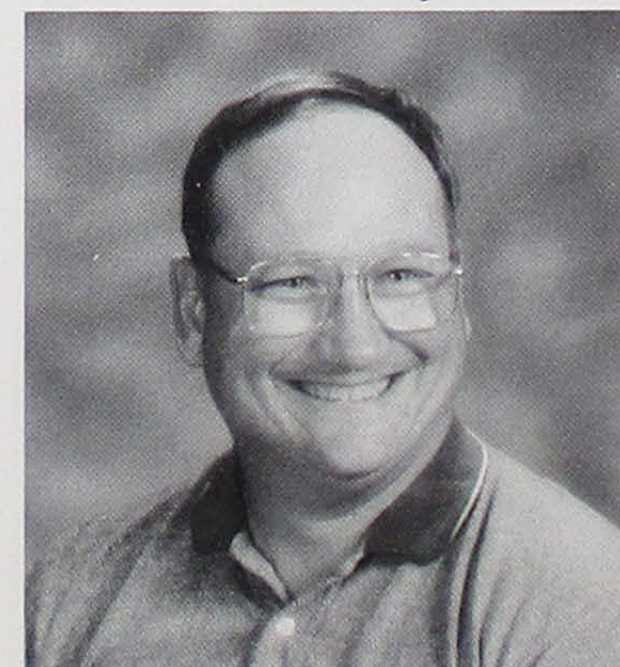
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Ron Schuck
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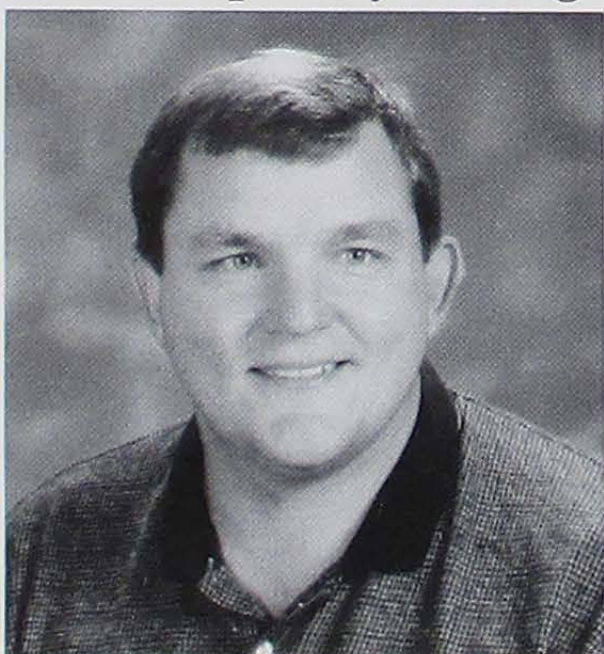
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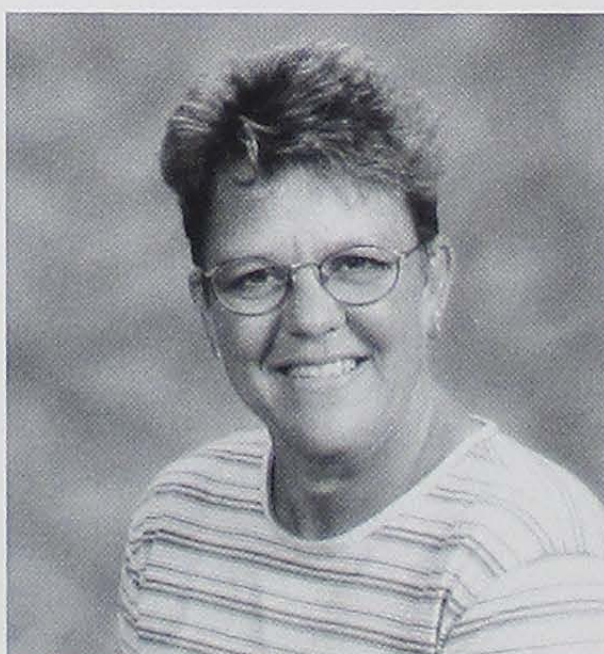
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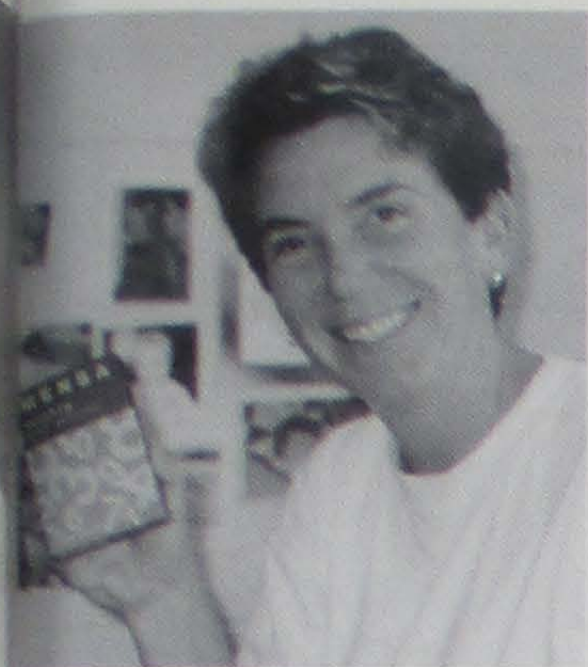
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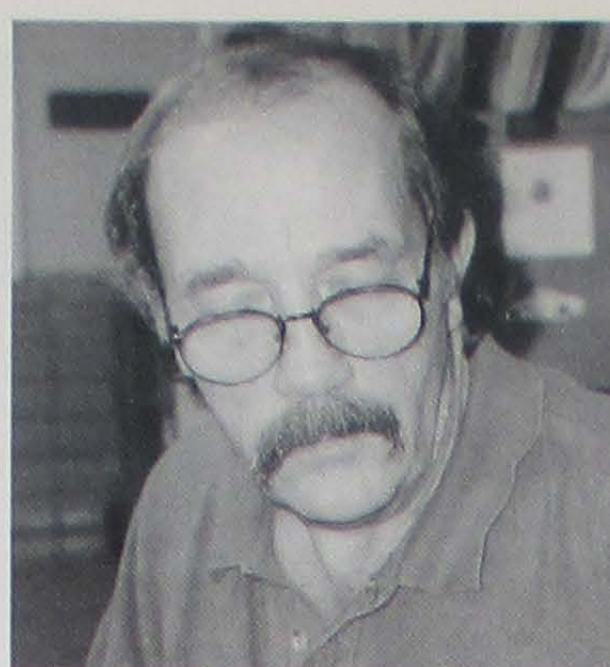
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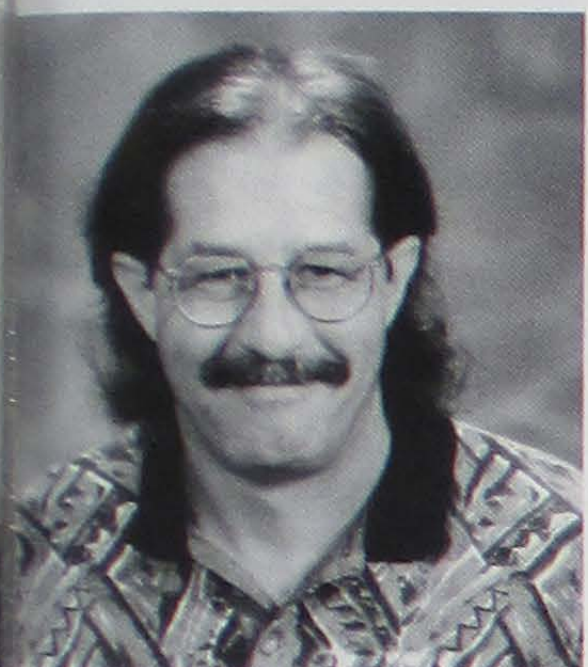
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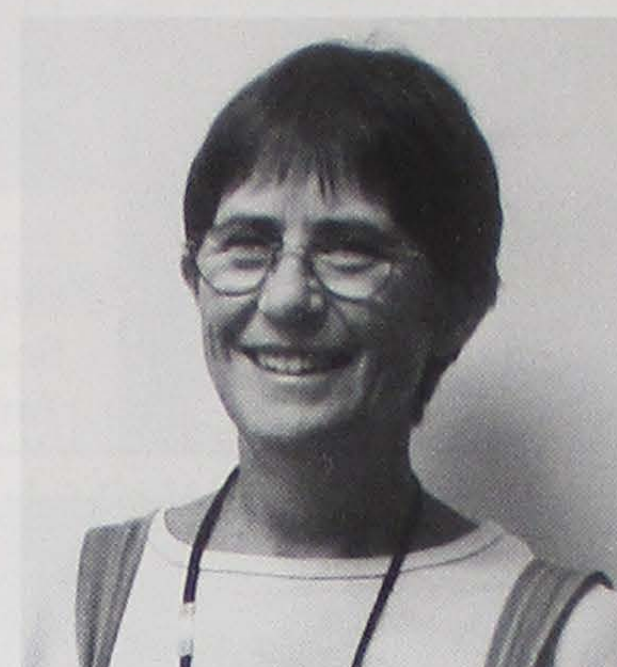
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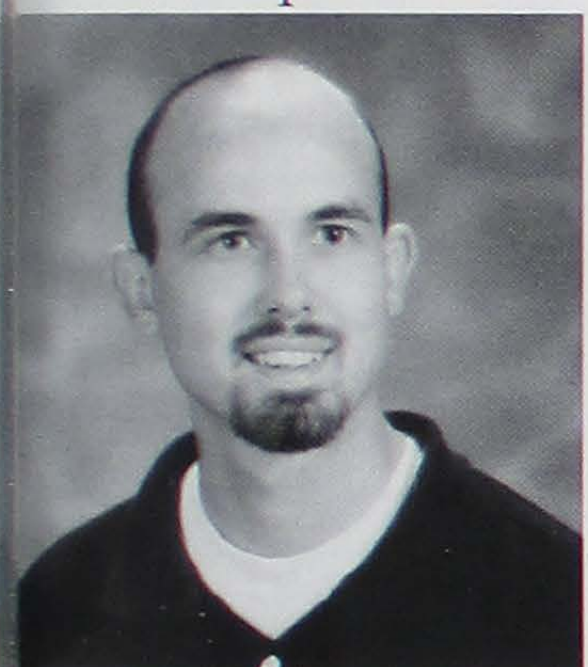
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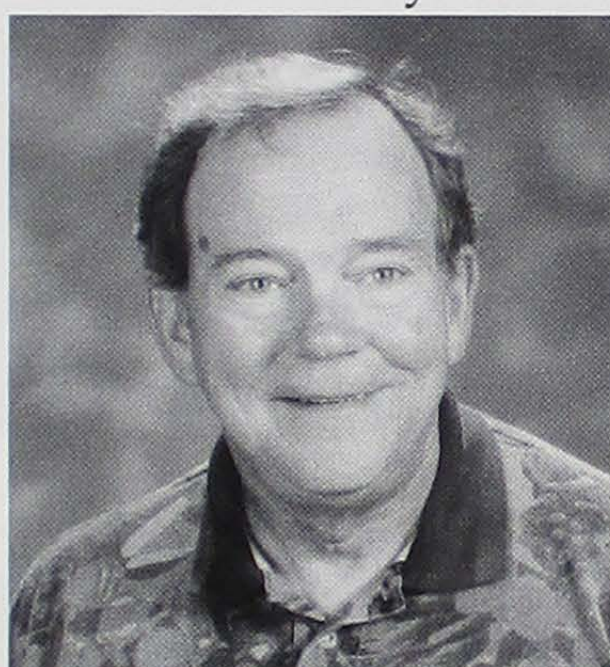
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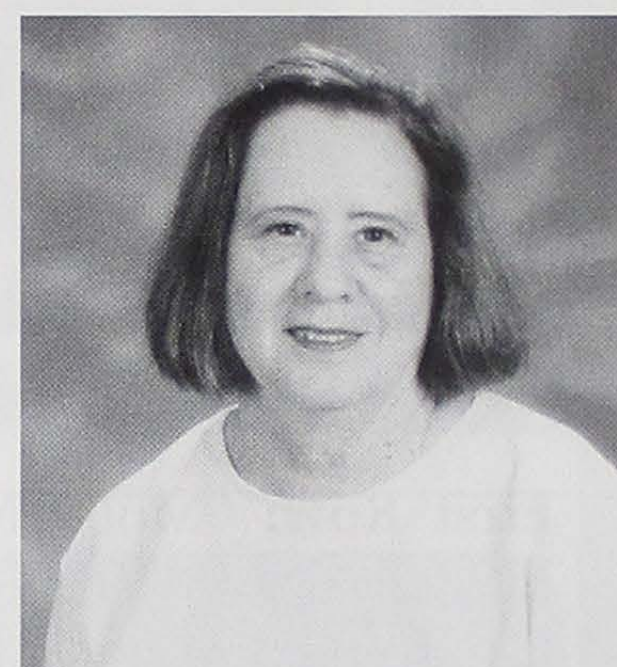
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French

Softball

Regular Season

Marshalltown-W-W-L
W.D.M. Valley - W-W-L
Fort Dodge - L-W-L
Boone - L-W
Mason City - L-W-W
Newton - L-W-L
Ankeny - L-L-L
Urbandale - L-W-W
Johnston - L-W-L

State Tournament

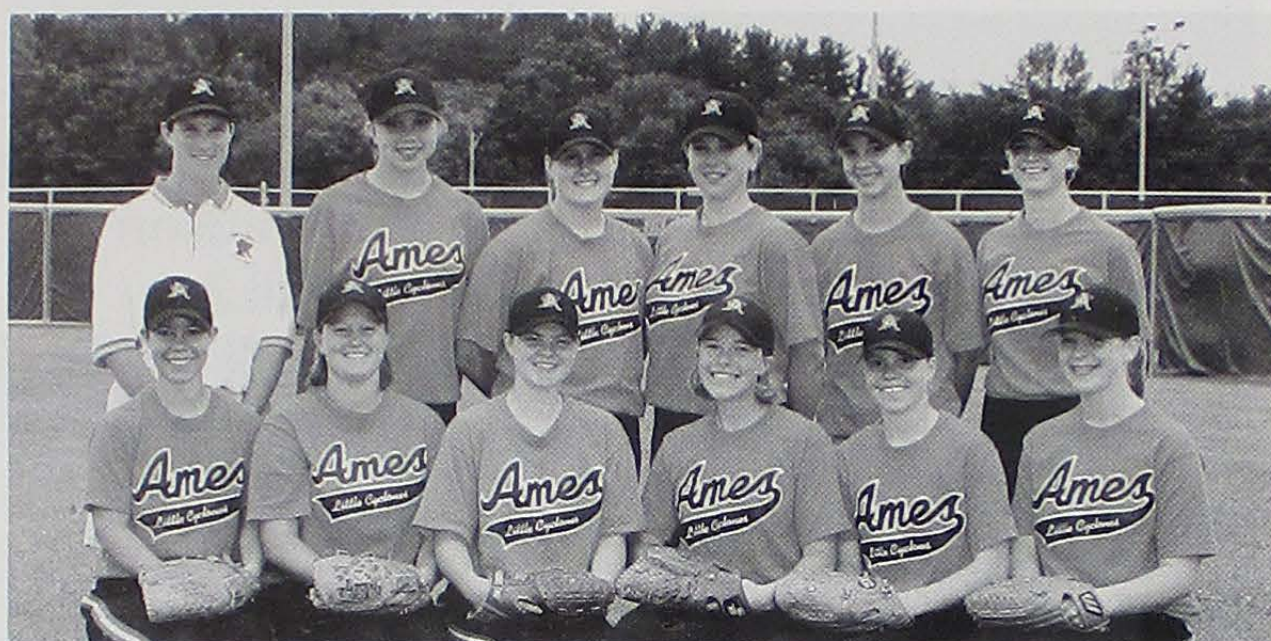
#1 D.M. East - W
Ankeny - L
Boone - L

Season Record

Games Won - 21
Games Lost - 25



First Row: Carly Mortensen, Krystal Myers, Kim Rodgers, Betsy Deardorff, Katie Naeve, Emily Smith, Lindsey Olson, Diane Borcharding **Second Row:** Coach Gary Gorman, Coach Staci Snezeik, Valerie Matters, Danielle Knutson, Beth Peterson, Stephanie Carroll, Stephanie Schmaltz, Anne Legg, Amy Koch, Coach Tom Kepley



JV SOFTBALL

First Row: Emily Smith, Diane Borcharding, Lindsay Erickson, Megan Hunziker, Shelby Junkman, Annon Woodin **Second Row:** Coach Staci Snezeik, Megan Brownfield, Melisse Owen, Krystal Myers, Amy Logston, Carrie Samson

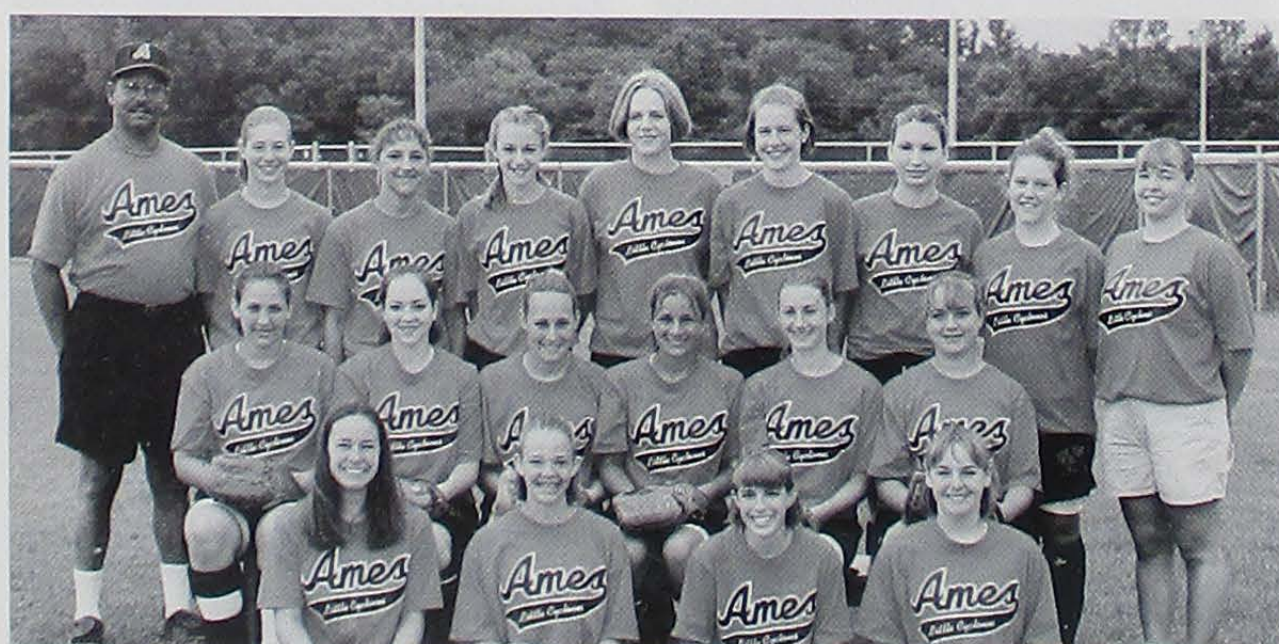
SOPHOMORE SOFTBALL

First Row: Molly Martens, Jessica Stevens, Lindsey Olsen, Jenna Blum, Samantha Malone, Chelsey Schmidt, Amber Atwood **Second Row:** Coach Kelly Randals, Elisabeth Mettille, Debra Borcharding, Amy Rodgers, Julie McElroy, Rachel Taege, Alisa Link, Mikaela Colbert



FRESHMAN SOFTBALL

First Row: Emily Tuttle, Ashley Wegan, Rachel Koch, Jacklyn McEachran **Second Row:** Kelly Burke, Shannon Cross, Samantha Wakefield, Kristen Callantine, Megan Wright, Sarah Kinkle **Third Row:** Coach Wayne Clinton, Stacy Evans, Kara Drzycimski, Anna Kemis, Danielle Stoops, Allison Mohlke, Candy Hoffman, Ashley Ward, Coach Stephanie Wegan



FRESHMAN BASEBALL

First Row: Michael Coffman, Jay Quigley, Joshua Popelka, Michael Jones, Aaron Warren, Ian Smith **Second Row:** Jacob Wagner, Eli Musselman, Michael Christy, Eric Nau, Matthew Schuldies, Trevor Smith, Benjamin Nerding **Third Row:** Jake Dunshee, Tom Kiliper, Dan Wandling, Coach Pat Lawler, Coach Eric Bappe, Michael Eggert, John Sokoll, Erick Bright



SOPHOMORE BASEBALL

First Row: Daniel Habhab, Kyle Berg, Grant Wilson, AJ Accola, BJ Wagner, Steve Wise **Second Row:** Sam Ruppert, Tony Quartaro, Bryan Shelton, Matthew Stark, Michael Drennan, Casey Winkleblack, John Tillo **Third Row:** Chris Lueth, Brandon Toresdahl, Coach Beau Hampton, Coach Jim Reubal, Grant Mohlke, Thomas Gallager

Baseball

Regular Season

Roland-Story - W
Boone - L
Marshalltown - L-L-L-L
Valley - L-L-L-W
S.E. Polk - W
t. Dodge - W-W-W-W
Gilbert - W
ason City - W-W-W-W
rbandale - W-W-L-L
ohnston - L-W-L-W
Newton - L-L-L-L
Ankeny - W-W-L-W
DSM Hoover - W

Season Record

Games Won - 20
Games Lost - 19



First Row: Benjamin Swenson, Benjamin Gunning, Jamie Smith, Matthew Murphy, Dan Jones, Steve Wise, Trevor Smith **Second Row:** Adam Brown, Michael Drennan, Billy Warren, Brandon Bogue, Brad Harris, Elliot Dowling **Third Row:** Graham Van Horn, Coach Eric Bappe, Coach Judge Johnston, Andrew Penny, Coach Andrew Bruemmer, Coach Chuck Stevens, Trey Burge **Fourth Row:** Jamie Colbert, David Ling, Andrew Kohler, Sam Kruger, Blake Shepherd, John Sokoll

Football

Regular Season

Dowling - L
D.M. Lincoln - W
D.M. North - W
Sioux City West - W
Mason City - W
Fort Dodge - W
Marshalltown - W
Newton - L
D.M. Valley - L

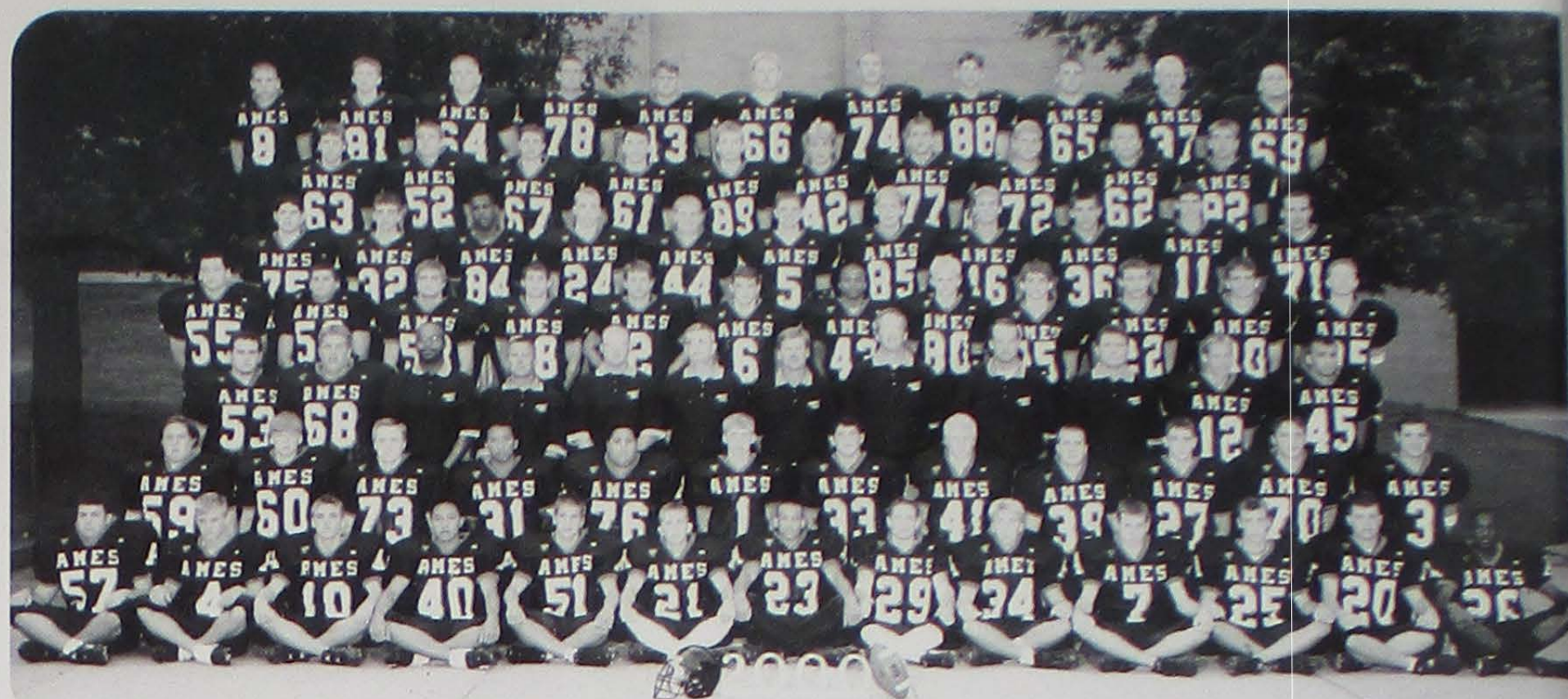
State Tournament

Newton - L

Season Record

Games Won - 6

Games Lost - 4



First Row: Nick Miller, Derek Larson, Steve Wise, Rizal Harun, Nate Ward, Jamie Smith, Eric Thompson, Josh Wagner, Charley Litchfield, AJ Accola, Kyle Rippey, BJ Wagner, Brandon Heath Second Row: Scott Jalovec, Andrew Tice, Dustin Tenney, Jay Honeymen, Andrew Brown, Chase Winkey, Dan Habbab, Mathew Kinker, Dan Jones, Tony Bori, Jonathan Russell, Matthew Drennan Third Row: Keth Duffey, Eric Johnson, Coach Lawrence Hill, Coach Ken Litchfield, Coach Judge Johnson, Coach Carl Pelzer, Coach Jim Burrow, Coach Bruce Vertenan, Coach Vance Downs, Coach Tracy Rial, Matthew Stark, Chris Popelka Fourth Row: Tony Quartaro, Jake Hammans, Justin Abbott, Adam Brown, Greg Payne, Travis Knapp, Lorenzo Taylor, Brandon Cornelius, Micah Juelfs, David Larson, Carl Prater, Tyler Clarke Fifth Row: John Koehler, Kyle Vance, Dante Cox, Jordan Whalen, Elliott Dowling, Graham Van Horn, Derek Watson, Brandon Toresdahl, Tyler Cardwell, Jonathan Warren, David Buckwald Sixth Row: TR Dilla, Kevin McCormick, David Hugdahl, Craig Johnson, Joe Rippke, Thomas Gallagher, Aaron Rosheim, Brian Grove, Joshua Purcell, Jamie Colbert Seventh Row: Chris Konopa, Anthony Dauterive, Luke Stigler, Benjamin Cronin, Nick Knutson, Chris Parrish, Casey Brown, Michael Miller, David Ling, Mark Bokhoven, Michael Knapp

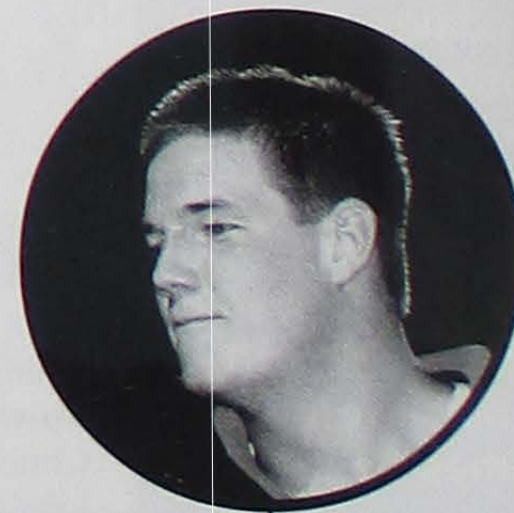


Top left: The sophomore football team looks onto the field as their game comes down to the last minutes. Middle: The Ames High Lite Cyclone Varsity football team hangs out on their float during the homecoming parade. Bottom left: Senior **David Ling** prepares to tackle a player from Newton. Right: Senior **Graham Van Horn** congratulates Senior **Adam Brown** on a 25 yard run during their game against Fort Dodge.



"I remember everyday after summer weight lifting, we would go to Duffy's pool and eat all of their food and create complete chaos. I also remember during Thursday practice **Eric Johnson** showed up to practice in a bright orange shirt which made him look identical to a pumpkin."

- senior **Ben Cronin**



"I remember the Marshalltown JV game when Marshalltown started throwing punches while our offensive line was blocking them; it was quite humorous. I also remember Friday morning breakfasts and watching **Dave Hugdahl** down the 'Tremendous Twelve' plus any leftovers from the rest of us."

- junior **Casey Brown**

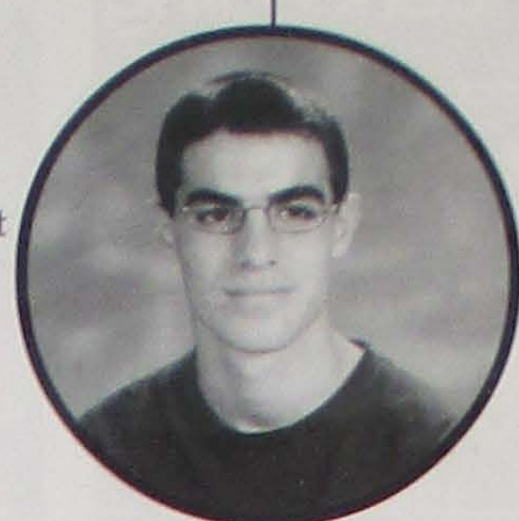


"I will always remember how Coach Sweigher would do his famous 'shuffle' after road game victories. Victories were the most enjoyable. But there were always the bus stories and the squeak beatings."

- sophomore Ian Smith

"What I remember most about the season was Coach Baker's constant b*tching about the lack of snack packs in the lunches after the away games. Besides the many jokes, the fact that it clicked for us this year made the season so great."

- freshman Matt Young



SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL

First Row: Erik Tesdall, Adam DeMarie, Justin McGenney, Michael Jones, Michael Coffman, Seth Jacobson-Swanson, Ian Smith, Eric Nau **Second Row:** Matthew Weber, David Weldner, Matthew Harris, Trevor Smith, Alex Alechine, Michael Christy, Tommy Drake, James Russell, Michael Malone **Third Row:** Coach Schliesman, Coach Greg Matters, Coach Dennis Elliot, Coach Dale Tramp, Coach Jim Duea, Coach Pat Lawler, Coach ED Schwieger, Coach Ron Chieves **Fourth Row:** Tyler Strodtman, Matthew Schuldies, Scott Johnson, Sean Farrar, Alan Todd, Greg Berning, Brian Foster, Matthew Myers, Joshua Robinson **Fifth Row:** Luke Houghton, Brian Schanker, Evan Sengbusch, Tommy Hiliper, Chris Bystrom, Luke Duveck, Andrew Hefellsinger, Brandon Rude **Sixth Row:** Brian Banker, Alex Danielson, Andrew Nelson, Ryan Taylor, Nick Bessman, John Sokoll

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL

First Row: Brandon Berg, Ricky Thompson, Joe Stigler, Jacob Clark, Tommy Chan, Grant Lambi, James Lacy, Cody Burns **Second Row:** Nick Paul, Byan Davis, Baue Knock, Brad Schmidt, Andrew Hiligenthal, Paul Karney, Grant Cooper, Matthew Young, Benjamin Ward **Third Row:** Dale Shanhen, Vinny Vittal, Devin Kelly, Coach Eric Bappe, Coach Andrew Bruemmer, Coach Randy Pyle, Coach Ryan Baker, Gabe Arato-Smidt, Carol Poist, Brent Swanson **Fourth Row:** Benjamin Hanson, Mitchell Pick, Jason Smith, Brandt Carlson, Adam Eichenberry, Stephen Volko, Justin Hesser, Karl Satre, Jonathan Haugo **Fifth Row:** Charlie Weber, Tyler Barrett, Trystan Woods, Tyler Braland, Travis Jones, Luke Chittenden, Seth Levings, Ryan Hendrickson, Jonathan Bell **Sixth Row:** Benjamin Marsden, Trevor Burge, Chad Brenner, Eric Bokhoven, Drew Eichorn, Stephen Gerbracht, Brett Maysent



Juniors Kyle Rippey and Matt Drennan glance away from the game for a second to look into the stands at their supporters. "Due to the cold night games the bench was cold, and hard to keep it warm, but don't worry. I took care of it," said Drennan.

The Varsity Ames High Little Cyclones run onto the field in the beginning of a home game as the announcer introduces them. This was a tradition that Ames High did at every home game. It started the game off and motivated the football players, the Ames High School students and supporters in the stands.



Senior Eric Thompson runs down the sideline with the ball in the game against Des Moines Lincoln. Ames High's game against Lincoln was the second game of their season.



Cheerleading



"Our greatest challenge this year was being the best at State. We worked incredibly hard all summer and throughout the fall. My best experience at Ames High was accepting our second place trophy."

junior **Amanda Hyde**



First Row: Emmy Smith, Amanda Hyde, Tam Jenkins, Ashley Jones, Anna Burgduff, Haley Pick
Second Row: Kellie Jutting, Lisle Hinderks, Stephanie Moore, Melissa Mikesch, Megan Curtis
Third Row: Kate McHugh, Ashley Jennings, Amy Swanson, Megan Berning, Kelley Kunz, Stephanie Girton, Mary Ellett, Becky Heller, Julie Prindle, Amy Pavlik
Fourth Row: Latrice Sawyer, Michael Ciccotti, Nate Ackerson, Kelly Packer, Emily Polich, Sara Simmons, Ann Benson, Stephanie Smelser, Cassandra Akers



SOPHOMORE CHEERLEADING

First Row: Megan Cross, Clair Morris, Amy Brinkheide, Jenna Carr, Lisa Simpson
Second Row: Danielle Schilling, Rachel Elliott, Elizabeth Song
Third Row: Rachel Curtis, Emmeline Hallam
Fourth Row: Anna Downing, Eva Stevens, Kristin Redmond



Cheerleaders lift sophomore **Elizabeth Song** into a prep. "Sophomore year was painful for me but very exciting. As many people may know I had my fair amount of injuries. I hurt my back very badly and I also broke my arm. But the fun part was traveling to away games; it was definitely the best part of cheerleading. Long roadtrips of giggling, talking about boys, and eating junk food created many friendships. My favorite away game was the one against Valley. Due to the combination of rain and stunting, we were covered in red mud from the dirt track. We looked really gross," sophomore cheerleader **Emmeline Hallam** said.



"Cheerleading allowed me to make so many new friends I otherwise wouldn't have met. Since I started the year with cheerleading, the friends I made during cheerleading season lasted throughout the school year."

- senior **Kelley Kunz**

"It's been a great experience being on the State cheer squad not only because I got to cheer for all the teams and compete on the competition squad, but because I was able to watch from the crowd during away games."

- junior **Lisle Hinderks**





"I remember one game when it was really cold and **Anna Dowling's** mom and dad brought us all hot apple cider. It really hit the spot. I also remember that game at which **Emmeline Hallam** and I used the carpet that we were standing on as a slip and slide."

- sophomore **Amy Brinkheide**

"I remember the numerous arguments that we got into regarding if cheerleading is a sport or not."

CHEERLEADING IS A SPORT! I also remember having to always find the mats and drag them to where we were practicing."

- freshman **Jessica Maher**



Seniors **Ann Benson** and **Emmy Smith** strike a pose after their song, "Who let the quakers out" played before a football game. "Emmy and I pretended we were quakers, so when the song 'Who Let the Dogs Out' came on we would sing our version instead," Benson said. The cheerleaders enjoyed spending time with each other throughout the season. They created lasting friendships and many inside jokes, sharing traditions such as homecoming and the post State competition dinner.



Sophomore cheerleaders **Jenna Carr** and **Danielle Schilling** discuss their cheering plan as they travel to their game at North. "Traveling was probably the best part of the season; we always had a real blast," said Carr.

FRESHMAN CHEERLEADING

First Row: Helen Myers, Ronna Belz, Cortney Boelman, Liz Geske **Second Row:** Stephanie Jones, Ashley Wilson, Jacklyn McEachran, Ashley Ward, Andrea Schleisman, Brittney Weirson, Rachel Gonzalez **Third Row:** Alyssa Sturm, Katya Polouchkina, Alyssa Anderson, Sam Kapan, Jessica Maher



Seniors **Sara Simons** and **Latrice Sawyer** flex their guns for the camera. The cheerleaders made camouflage shirts that had "We're in this war to win" printed on the back. The shirts gave the team extra motivation and displayed their fired up attitude toward the state competition.

The sophomore cheerleading squad picked up their new 2000-2001 yard signs and showed them off for the camera. Each sign had their name on it and came with their own set of pompoms. "The signs we had this year were really cool; they were not just ordinary signs with our names on them," sophomore **Megan Cross** said.



Senior **Anna Burgdoff** was getting ready until the last minute before their routine at state began. Even with rollers in their hair, the state squad practiced all their stunts as a warm-up before driving to the competition.



X Country

Regular Season
 Little Cyclone Inite -
 2nd
 Cedar Rapids invite
 - 9th
 Ames Invite - 4th
 Indianola Invite - 5th
 Urbandale Invite -
 5th
 Ankeny Invite - 7th

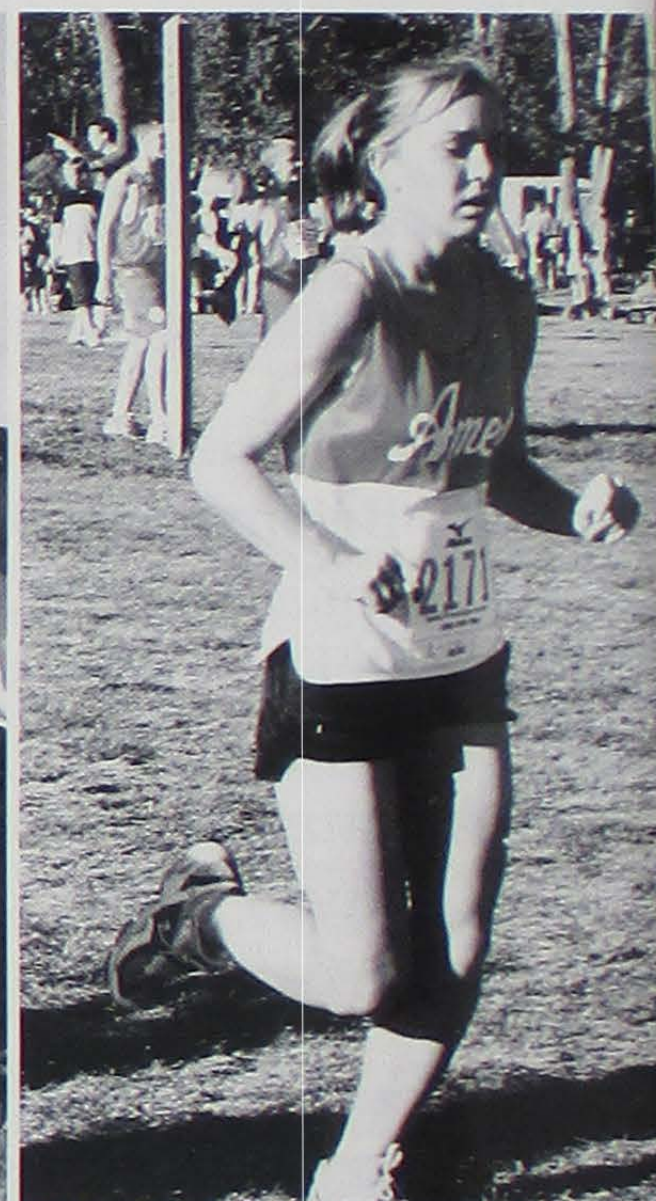
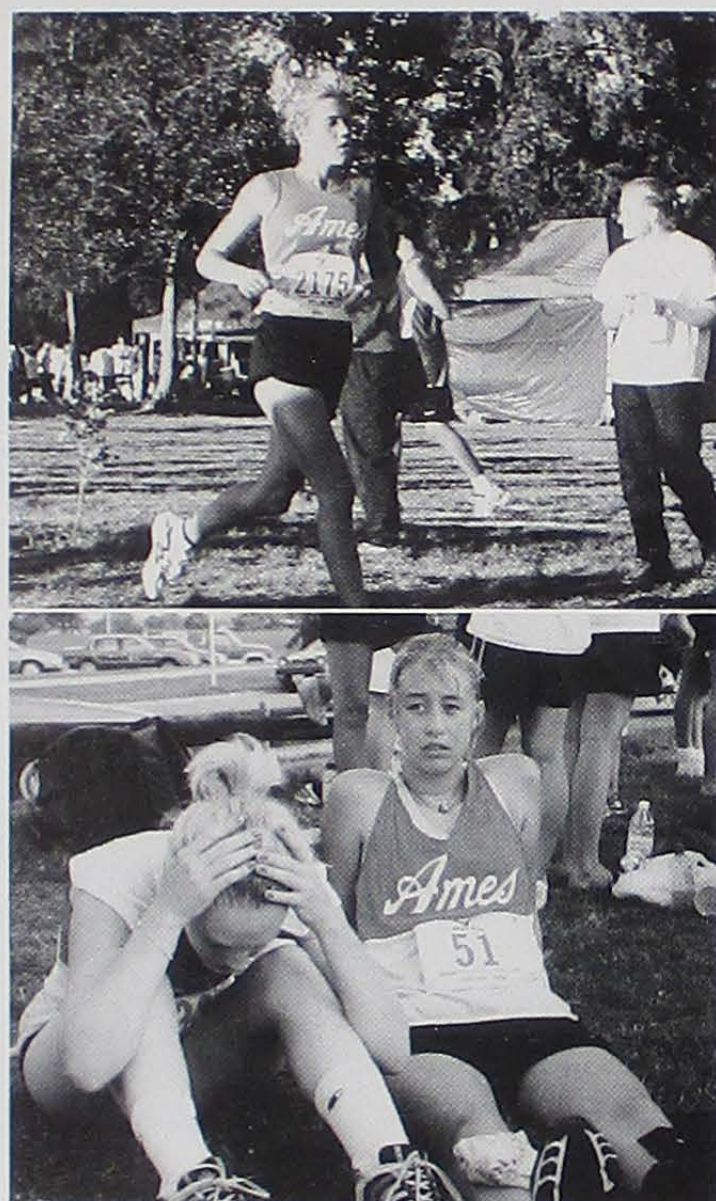
 Conference - 4th

 Distict - 5th

State Qualifiers
 Julie Reger
 Traci Hawley



First Row: Laura Beeman, Megan Whited, Christi Baker, Amy Shao, Annie Fanous, A Platt, Sylvia Fanous, Jenny Dobson, Hang Nguyen, Elisa Thompson, Emily Smith, Heather Lowman. Second Row: Katie Lutz, Anna Domoto, Amy Noxin, Katie Schmaltz, Megan Greving, Emily Faquet, Sarah Faquet, Heidi Dobberke, Molly Carpenter, Ashley Pepples, Jess Estill, Meg Wade, Jessie Rutherford. Third Row: Jennifer Lowry, Nassrene Hashemi-Taroghi, Katie Naeve, Jessie Swaim, Coach Beth Myers, Coach Kirk Schmaltz, Coach Goodall, Coach Eileen Sullivan, Annie Vleck, Theresa Horton, Jessica Goecke, Kristen Emry. Fourth Row: Jackie Brannan, Bernadette Wilson, Sarah Larson, Lauren Burke, Julie Oesper, Rebecca Raab, Erin Walker, Katie Klotzbach, Monica Petersen, Mindy Sargent, Rachel Teas. Fifth Row: Mandi Crawford, Emily Tuttle, Meredith Mull, Angela Schroeder, Kelley Houge, Traci Hawley, Lissa Catus, Denise Clark, Jess Polich, Patti Mangaudis. Sixth Row: Ambar DeKok, Claire Miller, Charissa Millen, Lindsay Sacco, Stephanie Brunia, Kelly McMaken, Mattea Wayne, Dara Poorman, Madeline Russel, Amelia Koford, Maureen Petersen, Nadia Hashemi-Taroghi. Seventh Row: Rachel Smelser, Alison Buck, Laura Obrycki, Julie Reger, Erin Johnson, Erica Lynn, Sarah Beisser, Kristi Wass, Andrea Steele, Megan Doering, Anna Marcinow. Eighth Row: Brea Peterson, Katie Gidlewski, Rose Ochieng, Arriel Wayne, Carly Swanson, Amanda Dillavou, Emily Bladel, Shea Prueger, Emily Houge, Corey Roberts, Julia Slocum, Sarah Tamashunas.



Top left: Senior **Erica Lynn** runs toward the last marker at the Ames Invitational. Middle: Members of the junior varsity girls cross country team get ready for their race at the Ankeney Invitational. Right: Sophomore **Sara Larson** runs at a home meet. "Although our cross country meets are usually very exhausting, when you crossed the finish line it was worth it," Larson said. Bottom Left: Senior **Mattea Wayne** and junior **Stephanie Brunia** sit down and recover after their race.



"I remember 'killing' myself almost every day while having a great time and making new friends. I would have to say that the best part of the season was Group B's pre-meets where all we did was eat popcicles and watch Clifford the Big Red Dog on TV."

- senior **Emily Smith**



"We had a really great season that was cut short due to the fact that we were placed in the hardest district in the state. Despite what happened this year we are all really looking forward to next year because we will have all of our top 7 runners back."

- junior **Casey Winkleblack**



"I mostly remember the good food at spaghetti dinners. You'd never know how much girls eat unless you witnessed one of our dinners. Most of all I remember one Saturday morning practice when I got depantsed by junior Dara Poorman twice. I thought it was pretty funny."

- sophomore **Amy Noxon**



"This year was awesome because I got to meet lots of new people. The only thing that sucked was my initiation. The cross country team made me wear my cross country shorts to school, I was majorly embarrassed. Other than the initiation joke I had a great time."

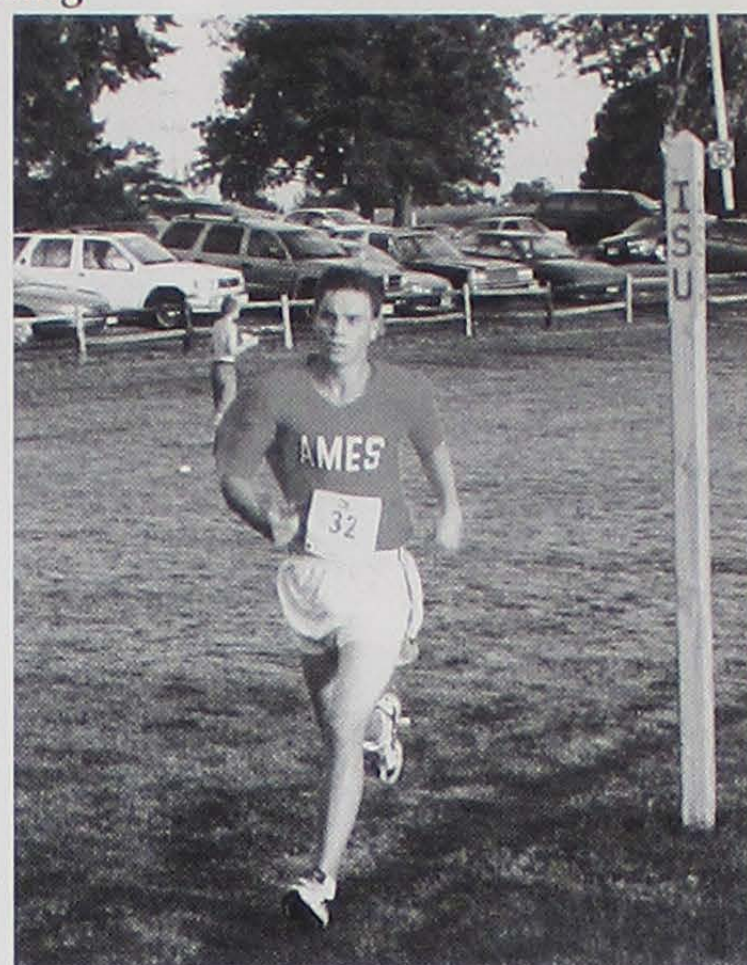
- freshman **Oliver Keeling**



Junior **Brian Janke** speeds up in order to pass his opponent from Roosevelt at the Ames Invitational. Despite the warm weather and the challenging course, the Little Cyclones were able to surge past their competition and claim fourth place.



Junior **Levi Nicholes** presses onward towards the finish line at the Ames Invite. Many supporters came to the home meets to cheer on the team from the sidelines and show their support. The fans helped boost the Little Cyclones to grab second place.



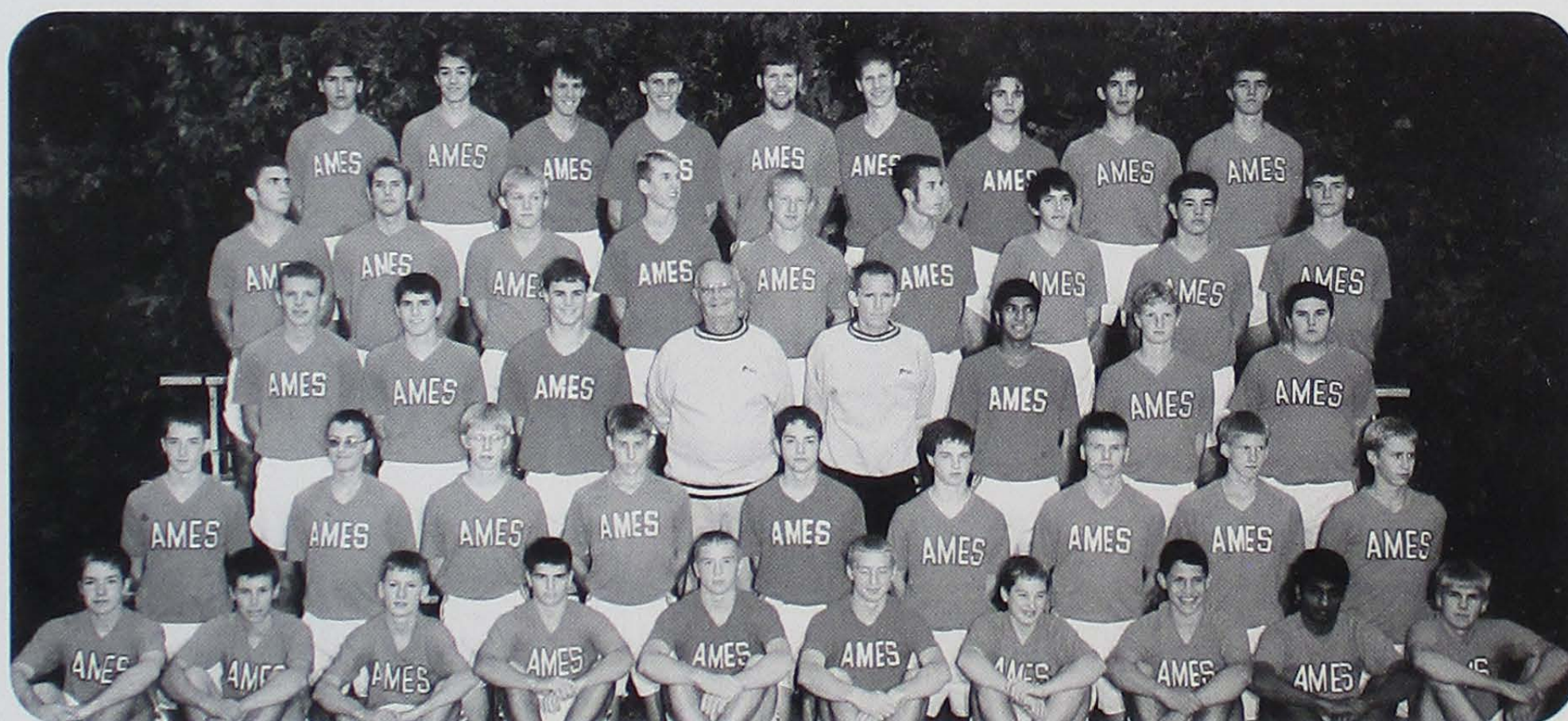
Junior **Casey Winkleblack** works at keeping more distance between himself and the other runners. Winkleblack went on to place twenty-seventh at the state meet later in the season. "I don't even like to run, but I enjoy the sport," he said.

X Country

Regular Season

Little Cyclone Invitational - 4th
edar Rapids Invit. - 3rd
Ames Invit. - 2nd
Indianola Invit. - 1st
Ankeny Invit. - 4th
Mike Augstine Invitational - 1st
CIML Iowa Conference - 4th
District 4A - 4th

State
Casey Winkleblack - 27th/137



First Row: Ben Gual, Nate Logston, Franklin Fuller, David Metzger, Lincoln Nicholes, Levi Nicholes, Oliver Keeling, Dimitri Syrkin-Nikolau, Nitian Gadia, Tyler Buck **Second Row:** Danny Hallinan, Luke Hibbing, Gavin White, Brian Janke, Adam Hundertmark, Dan Bretz, Zach Booth, Brent Trivilan, Nathan Weiss **Third Row:** Bobby Peters, Rolf Place, Casey Winkleblack, Coach John Slatten, Coach Todd Volsted, Nevan Sebastian, Ben Cheney, Joe Dunlay **Fourth Row:** Danney Brinkhied, Lane John, Steven Anderson, Matt bunker, Nels Matson, John Myers, Phil Vega, Alex Demoto, Ryan Loes **Fifth Row:** Derek Colvin, Ben Bryden, Doug Moore, Matt Knopp, Brian Clark, Ben Erbes, Fabian DeKok, Brian Anderson, David Melby

Golf

Regular Season

CIML Invite - 7th

Ankeny - L

Marshalltown - L

East - W

Lincoln - W

Ames Invite - 2nd

Mason City - W

Fort Dodge - W

Valley Classic - 7th

Boone - W

Newton - W

Conference - 5th

Districts - Tied for

2nd but took 3rd

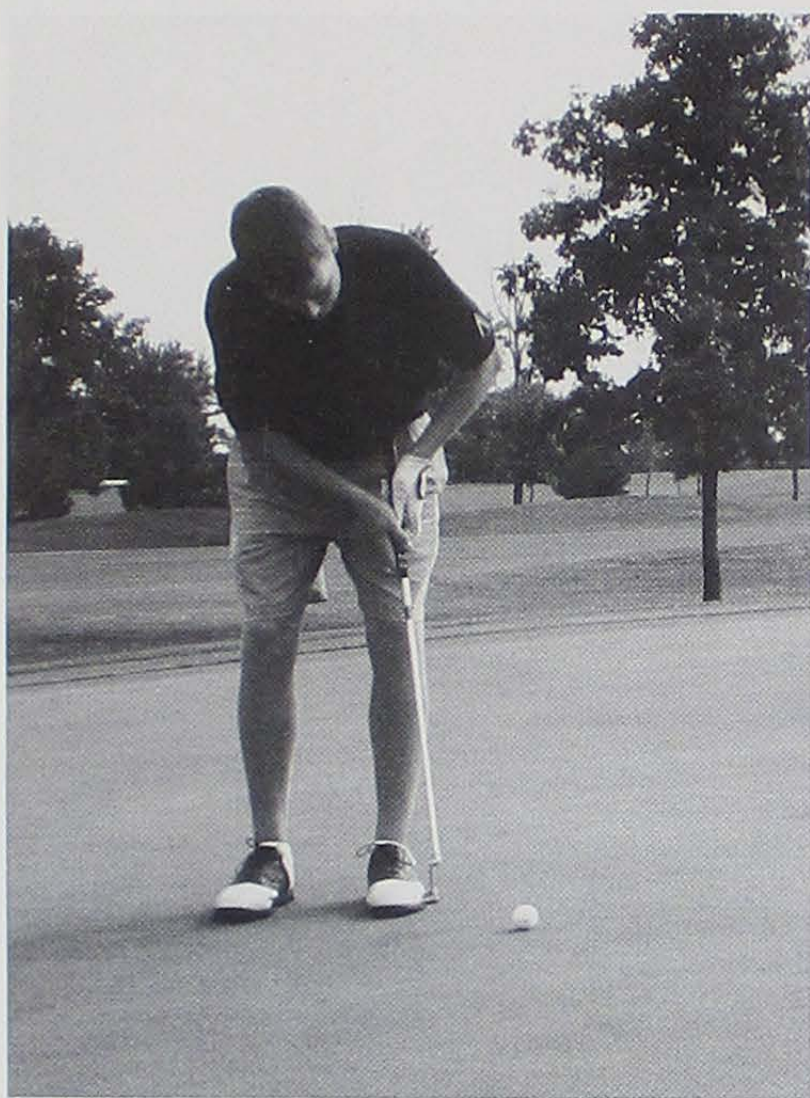
State - 6th

Nick Inglett - 10th

Matt Weirson - 26th



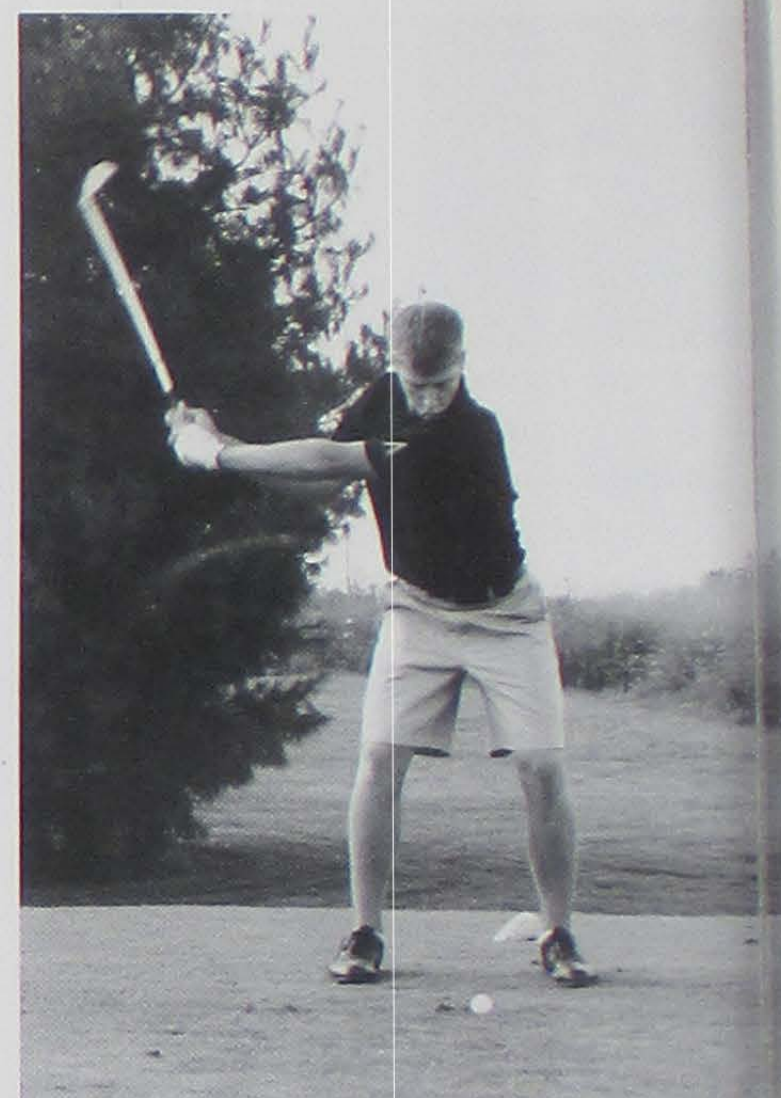
First Row: Nick Dekovic, Ryan Norlin, Troy Pepperkorn, Andrew Burgason, Brandon Buzzell, Andrew Kang, Joel Loes, Kyle Young **Second Row:** Theron Worthington, Dan Wandling, Jim Kane, Lindy Elle, Billy Fennelly, Coach RJ Voss, Matt Weirson, Ryan Ward, Jason Garwood, Mitchell Ridnour, Adam Rowings **Third Row:** Nathan Porter, Brandon Crase, Nick Inglett, Peter Ringlee



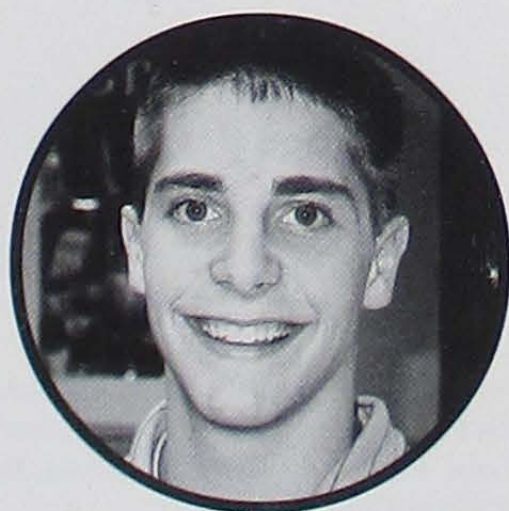
Sophomore **Adam Rowings** taps the golf ball in for par on the fourth green. Due to the time spent on the practice greens putting and chipping, Rowings felt confident with his putting ability throughout the season.



Sophomore **Billy Fennelly** chips onto the green at the Mason City meet. "The best thing about the Mason City meet was when we arrived back at the school. We had just been driving for an hour and a half and some of us decided to relieve ourselves by the teachers' parking lot. **Ryan Ward** got caught urinating by Mr. Schmaltz's car, so he had to call his parents. That was great," Fennelly said.



Senior **Nick Inglett** swings hard on his seven at the Ames Golf and Country Club. "It's really cool when people take pictures of you in the middle of your swing. Let's give a shout out to 'Habib'," said Inglett.



"I remember listening to **Ryan Ward** try to argue with **Peter Ringlee** (who is quite possibly the world's smartest man) about politics. It was hilarious. The extremely rigorous and exhausting running that we did after getting caught for TP-ing the coach's house is a memory that we will cherish forever.

- senior **Nick Inglett**

"We were chipping at WOI and things weren't going so well. Most everyone had given up on accomplishing anything and they were about to leave. At that point I let those 'mother (blank)s' know that we were working on our team unity and they had better suck it up."

- junior **Ryan Ward**



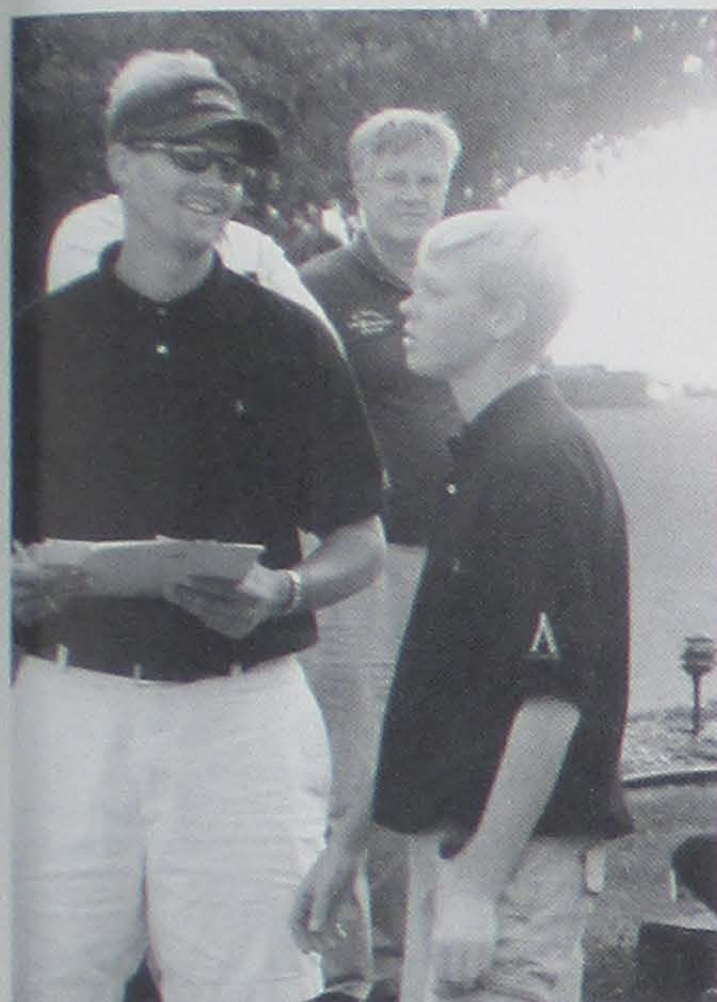


"I mostly remember the laid back practices, the freshly cut greens, and the big money bets. The one thing that really made season the most interesting was the constant quarrels between **Dan Wandling** and 'SQUARE'."

- sophomore **Lindy Ellett**

"I still owe **Andrew Burgason** and Coach a crap load of stuff because they would always give me rides because I had no transportation. I also still haven't turned in my fund raising stuff that was due in December. Oops!"

- freshman **Andrew Kang**



After his challenging round of nine holes, freshman **Ryan Norlin** discusses his frustration and receives support and understanding from head coach RJ Voss. "This year was the first year I played at a competitive level. I enjoyed the closeness of the golf team as well as working on my short game," Norlin said. Players finishing early would gather around the ninth green to wait for the rest of the team to finish.



Senior **Mitchell Ridnour** proceeds to where his golf ball landed after waiting for teammate senior **Peter Ringlee** to hit his second shot. The meet took place at the Newton golf course, a course which many players dubbed their least favorite. Ridnour, Ringlee and the rest of the seniors were able to lead the team to victory.



In deep concentration, sophomore **Dan Wandling** begins his swing toward the golf ball on the third tee at the Ames Invitational. The meet was played at the Ames Golf and Country Club. Playing at the country club was a great luxury for the high school golf programs in Ames. Most away meets that Ames golfers participated in were on public golf courses; the visiting golf teams would have to pay for balls to warm-up with. In contrast, the Ames Golf and Country Club became an ideal spot for meets because golf teams from other schools were able to hit balls for free at the country club.

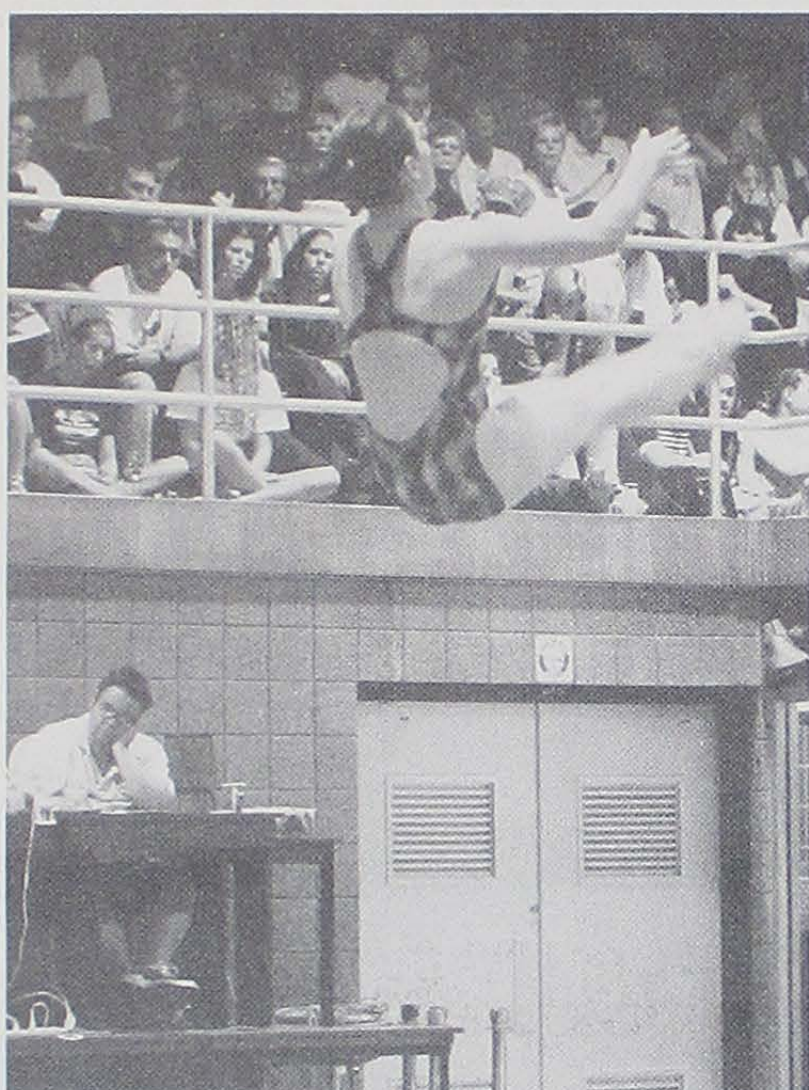
Swimming

Regular Season

Ankeny - W
East - W
Lincoln - W
Valley - W
Mason City - W
Ft. Dodge - W
Boone - W
Marshalltown - L
Newton - L
Conference - 3rd
Districts - 2nd
State - 17th
Abby VanMaaren -
Runner up 50 free -
1st Team All-State
Stacey Arkovich -
Diving - Runner up
Elisa Arokovich -
Diving - 7th



First Row: Suzanne Bretz, Ashleigh Ward, Ashley Peterson, Katie Norlon, Emily Morris, Debbie Wipf, Jenny Scoles Second Row: Amanda Marquant, Caitlin Clark, Colleen Armstrong, Jessica Rickbohm, Leah Ruggle, Carly Rieken, Kelly Butler, Meredith Talbert, Elizabeth Wandling, Audrey Wiedemeier, Muji Jacobsen, Jenn O'Brien Third Row: Gretchen Matson, Sarah McDuff, Mary Gilarski, Caroline Wilson, Prisa Maghsoodi, Kaija Peterson, Nicole Peterson, Megan Anderson, Cristina Wall, Meegan Hand, Terri Hawley, Sarah Maahs, Coach Nancy Svien Fourth Row: Jenny Cummings, Stacey Arkovich, Shannon Kerper, Kaye Strohhorn, Amber Covey, Susana Goldman, Kendall McCallum, Janice Gustafson, Melisse Owen, Emily Hennager, Katie Adam, Kate Bullen, Coach Dan Flannery Fifth Row: Coach Jim Zagaria, Amanda Parker, Roya Maaghsoodi, Crystal Cline, Steph Carroll, Abby Van Marren, Sarah White, Erin Belcher, Keshia Johns, Diane Volcko, Debbie Hardy Sixth Row: Erin Nadler, Elisa Arokovich, Christa Miller, Laura Carlyle, Elizabeth Talbert, Laura Wilson, Amanda Hopper, McKinzie Clyde, Kira Shonlweiler, Brynna Dieter



Senior **Elisa Arokovich** executes a reverse pike dive at state. Arokovich placed seventh at the state meet in diving. "It was very exciting to compete in the state meet, and taking home seventh place in diving was a great experience," Arokovich said.



Junior **Meegan Hand** swims the breast stroke at a home meet. Before all home meets all the girls met in the locker room and had pep talks, which ended with the girls walking out chanting, "This is Cyclone Country, you beware." The girls would then gather around the starting blocks and would chant various cheers. "My favorite song is the one about the breast stroke," Hand said.



Kira Shonlweiler and Coach Nancy Svien go over Shonlweiler's stroke in preparation for the next home swimming meet. Coach Svien would discuss and help with any swimmer that was concerned about her stroke.



"This year the swim season really brought people together. It was a lot of fun meeting all the girls and getting to spend time with them. Swimming is a great excuse to have a fab time. I'll never forget all the great times that I encountered."

- senior **Brynna Dieter**

"The thing I remember the most was making short jokes about my coach Jim. Better yet, listening to Jen (the shortest of short) make short jokes about Jim. Also, Jim really liked to beat people with what he referred to as 'his ugly stick'."

- junior **Stacey Arkovich**





"Daughters of the Gang Bang, Martha's Ghetto, marraca dancing and underwater boxing all added to the my memories of the diving season. I also remember drinking a glass of lemonade that had 15 packs of sugar in it, uhmmm."

- sophomore **Jennie Cummings**



"The thing I remember most about the swim season is all the activities that took place outside of the pool like slumber parties and spaghetti dinners, which were super cool. Also, being called 'baby' is something that I will never forget."

- freshman **Colleen Armstrong**



Senior **Roya Maghsoodi** and her fellow seniors took children's bathroom paint and wrote their initials all over the shower room walls as their legacy. It was the last practice for the seniors so they decided to leave behind something. "Next year just won't be the same without them; they led our team and we had a blast," said fellow swimmer, sophomore **Cristina Wall**.



Junior **Stacey Arkovich** performs her back two and a half twister at the state meet. A back twister is a back flip with a two and a half turns. "Twisters are the dive that I have the most fun doing, because you get to twist all the way around and flip at the same time. They are very difficult and hard to come out of, so I usually end up over rotating and smacking the water. By the way, smacking the water hurts a lot. Usually, I just use the 'balls out' method. That means I just walk onto the board and give it all I have and just do the dive. I placed second at state and I also made first team All-State which was an amazing accomplishment because state was at Fort Dodge, and I have issues with that diving board," Arkovich said.



Senior **Kesha Johns** and Freshman **Audrey Wiedemeier** get into a cake fight after an early morning practice. "The cake fight with Audrey made all those endless hours in the pool worth while," said Johns. However, Wiedemeier believed that she was the top dog. "I can kick Kesha's butt and eat my cake too."

Volleyball

Regular Season

Ankeny - L
 East - W
 Lincoln - W
 Valley - W
 Mason City - W
 Fort Dodge - W
 Marshalltown - W
 Newton - W

Districts

East - W
 Johnston - W

Regionals

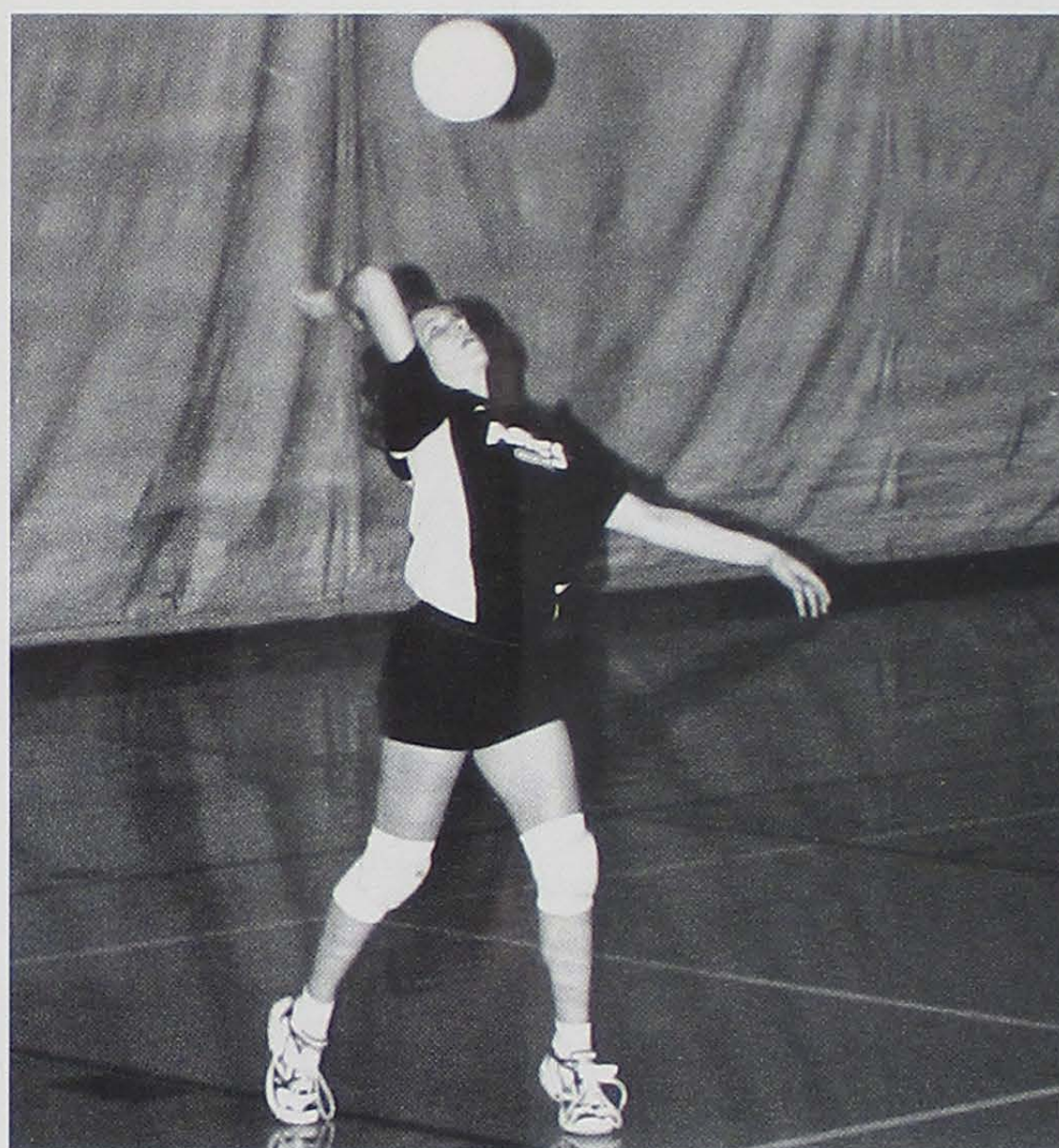
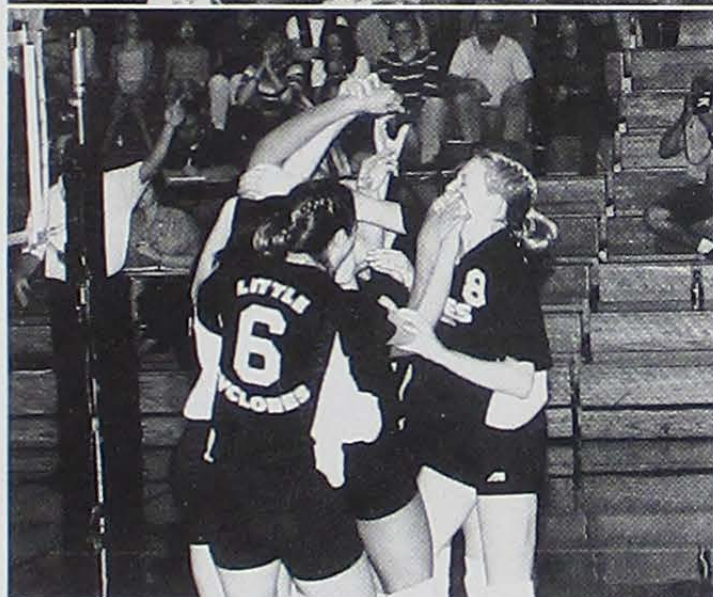
Cedar Falls - W

State

Oskaloosa - L



First Row: Andrea Otteman, Diane Borcharding, Lisa Corley, Rachel Tapper **Second Row:** Coach James Brockway, Emily Gleeson, Julie McElroy, Jessica Kinyon, April Wissink



Top Left: Senior **Erin Martin** passes the ball to the setter in a game against Newton. Middle: Sophomore **Melissa Wunder** serves the ball during her first Varsity volleyball game. Right: Junior **Emily Gleeson** prepares to pass the volleyball back to her teammate during the half-time warm-up. Bottom Left: Members of the Ames High Varsity volleyball team celebrate after scoring the winning point during home game.



"I remember one practice when Erin Martin pulled my pants off in front of everyone. It wasn't so bad, but it took me a few seconds to realize that I was exposed. Needless to say everybody was laughing at me."

- senior Jessica Kinyon

"The event that sticks out in my mind when I think about the 2000 season was at the sleepover. We all split up into groups and had to go on a scavenger hunt, 'Blair Witch' style. Somebody threw our map in the river."

- junior Diane Borcharding





"Going to the State tournament is what I remember most. It was a great accomplishment which we all worked really hard to achieve. I also remember our sleepover. On tape we had to ask a stranger to marry us, ask Wal-Mart for DD bras, etc."

- sophomore Julie McElroy

"I remember the bus trips the most because we always braided our hair. I also remember the practices we had because we would play stupid games that our coach made up. We always had a good time as long as our coach was in a good mood."

- freshman Kelli Berg



JV VOLLEYBALL

First Row: Brooke Knau, Melissa Wonder, Lindsey Olson, Jenna Blum, Megan Hunziker, Laura Ritland **Second Row:** Coach Teresa Testroet, Kaylee Engelen, Jessica Elliot, Betsy Huisenga, Sarah Smart, Courtney Jones, Danielle Knutson, Dorota Pruski

SOPHOMORE VOLLEYBALL

First Row: Katie Brown, Jody Veale, Stacy Strodman, Megan Ausborn, Janelle Jorgenson, Chelsey Schmidt **Second Row:** Molly Martins, Michelle Rooney, Angela Linduska, Mary Houck, Megan Brownfield, Heather Johnson, Shannon Thomas, Coach Adam DeJoode



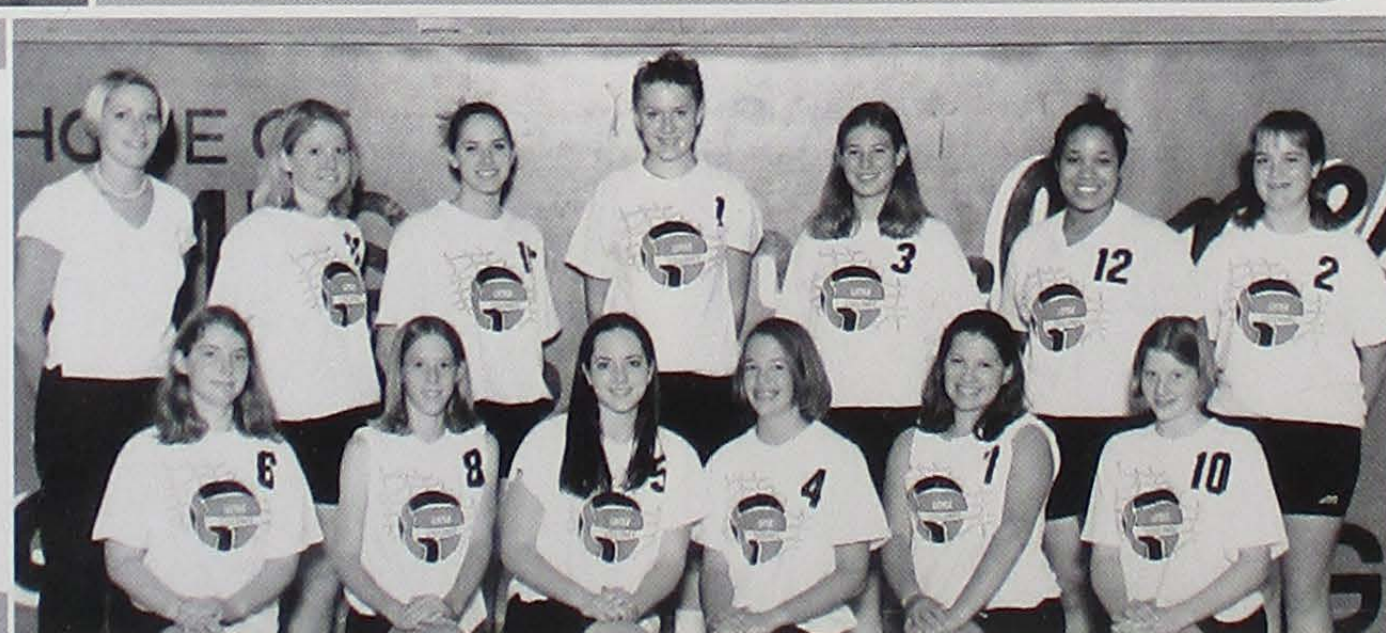
FRESHMAN A VOLLEYBALL

First Row: Heidi Purcell, Kristen Callentine **Second Row:** Kelly Berg, Allison Dieter, Kara Derminski **Third Row:** Ashley Tucker, Ashley Gilmore, Brooke Novey, Jessica Carithers **Fourth Row:** Debra Borcharding, Danielle Stoops, Coach Kris Henderson, Jessica Keefe, Alison Molhke



FRESHMAN B VOLLEYBALL

First Row: Valerie Roark, Sara Freeman, Shannon Cross, Ashley Weigand, Sarah Hansen, Emilee McMillen **Second Row:** Coach Crista Buckingham, Stephanie Jarnagin, Sarah Bohn, Kelsey Thein, Stacey Evans, Ashley Holland, Sarah Klinkel



Boys Basketball

Regular Season

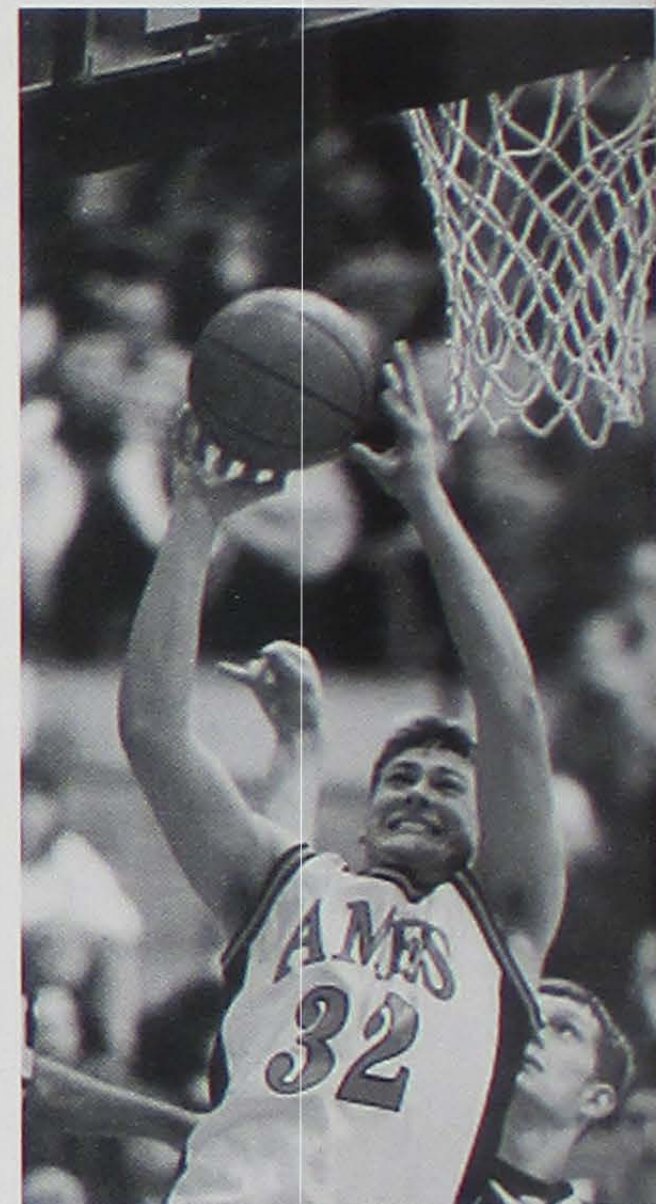
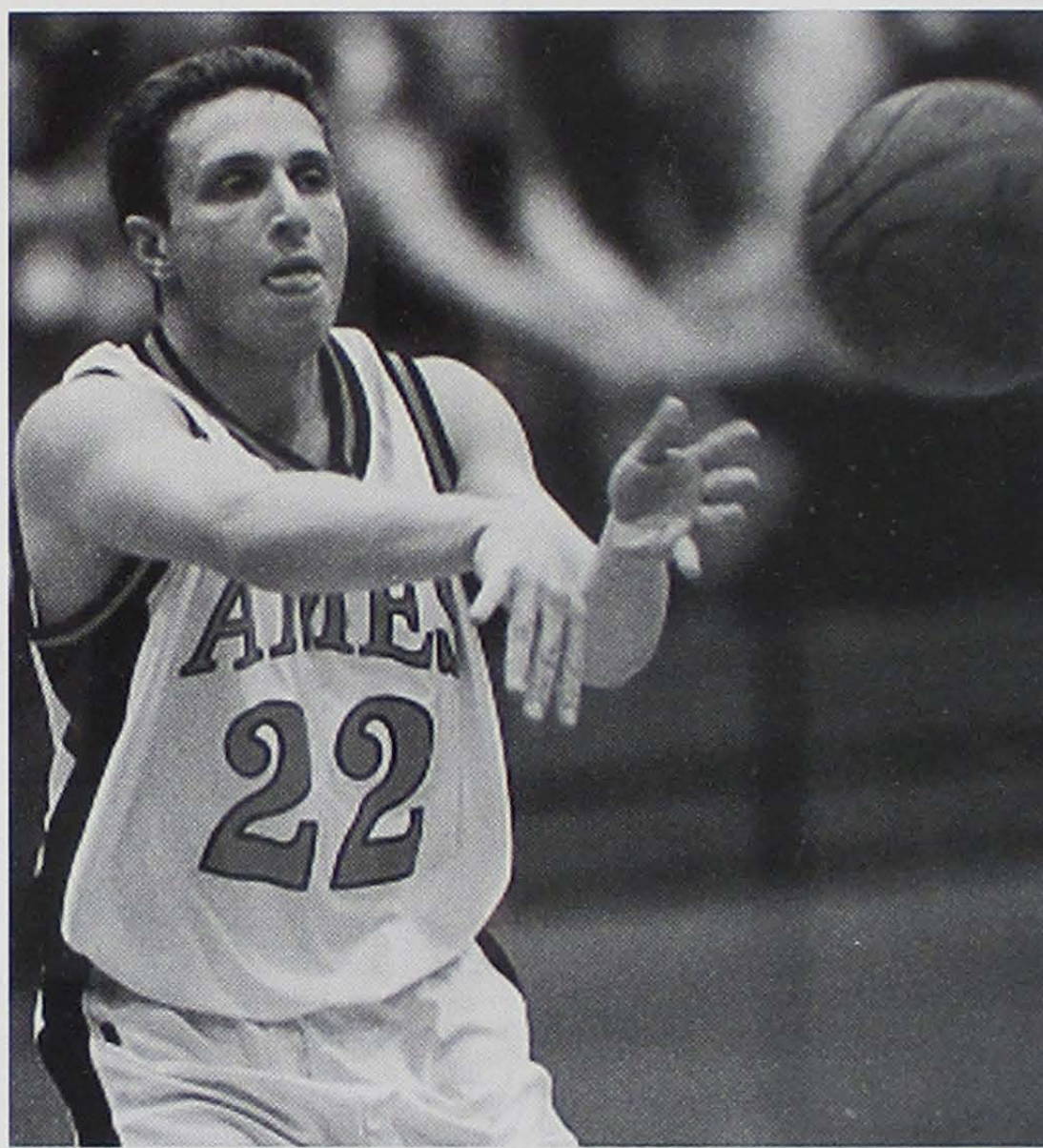
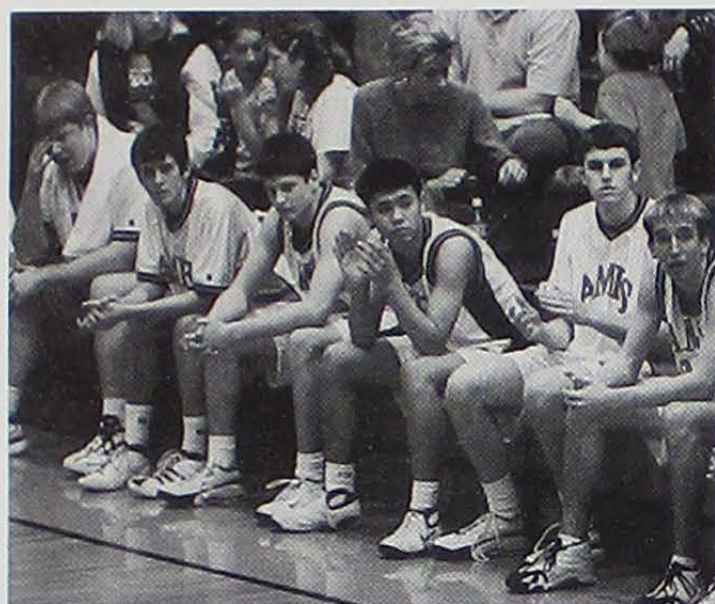
S.E. Polk - L
 Urbandale - L
 Lincoln - W
 Johnston - L
 Mason City - W - W
 Valley - W - L
 Fort Dodge - W - L
 Marshalltown - W-W
 Newton - W - W
 D.S.M. East - W
 Dowling - L
 Ankeny - L

Sub - State

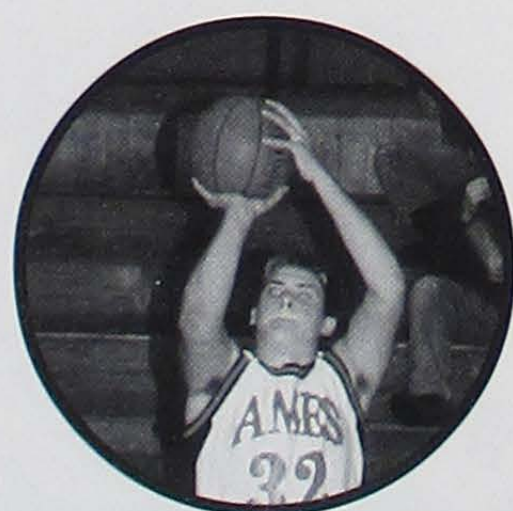
Cedar Falls - L



First Row: Grant Mohlke, Matthew Murphy, Chris Warren, Michael Shi, John Tillo, Doug Moore, Jamie Smith **Second Row:** Coach Spencer Esslinger, Jamie Colbert, Nick Knutson, Chris Parrish, Michael Miller, Andrew Houk, Tim Stoops, Jon Warren, Coach Dennis Cullinan



Top Left: Members of the Ames High boys basketball team watch their team play as the game winds down to the very last minutes. Middle Left: senior pointguard **Matthew Murphy** passes the ball to one of his teammates in their game against Fort Dodge. Bottom Left: Coach **Dennis Cullinan** explains the next play that he wants his team to perform during a timeout he called in the fourth quarter. Right: **Nick Knutson**, a senior guard, maneuvers past his defender and makes a lay up.



"Here's some advise for Andy Houk. Watch out for lines. He had a small problem with tripping over them during games and practices. And this is for John Tillo, it's ok that you're part man part horse."

- senior Nick Knutson

"I will always remember the great season we had, not because of all the games we won but because of all the seniors. Especially Matt Murphy and Jamie Colbert. I'm really going to miss them."

- junior Tim Stoops





"I remember when I stole the ball away from an Ankeny player, ran down court, and dunked the ball as the buzzer sounded. We won the game by one point and the team carried me off the court on their shoulders. It was so awesome!"

- sophomore Tyler Wilson

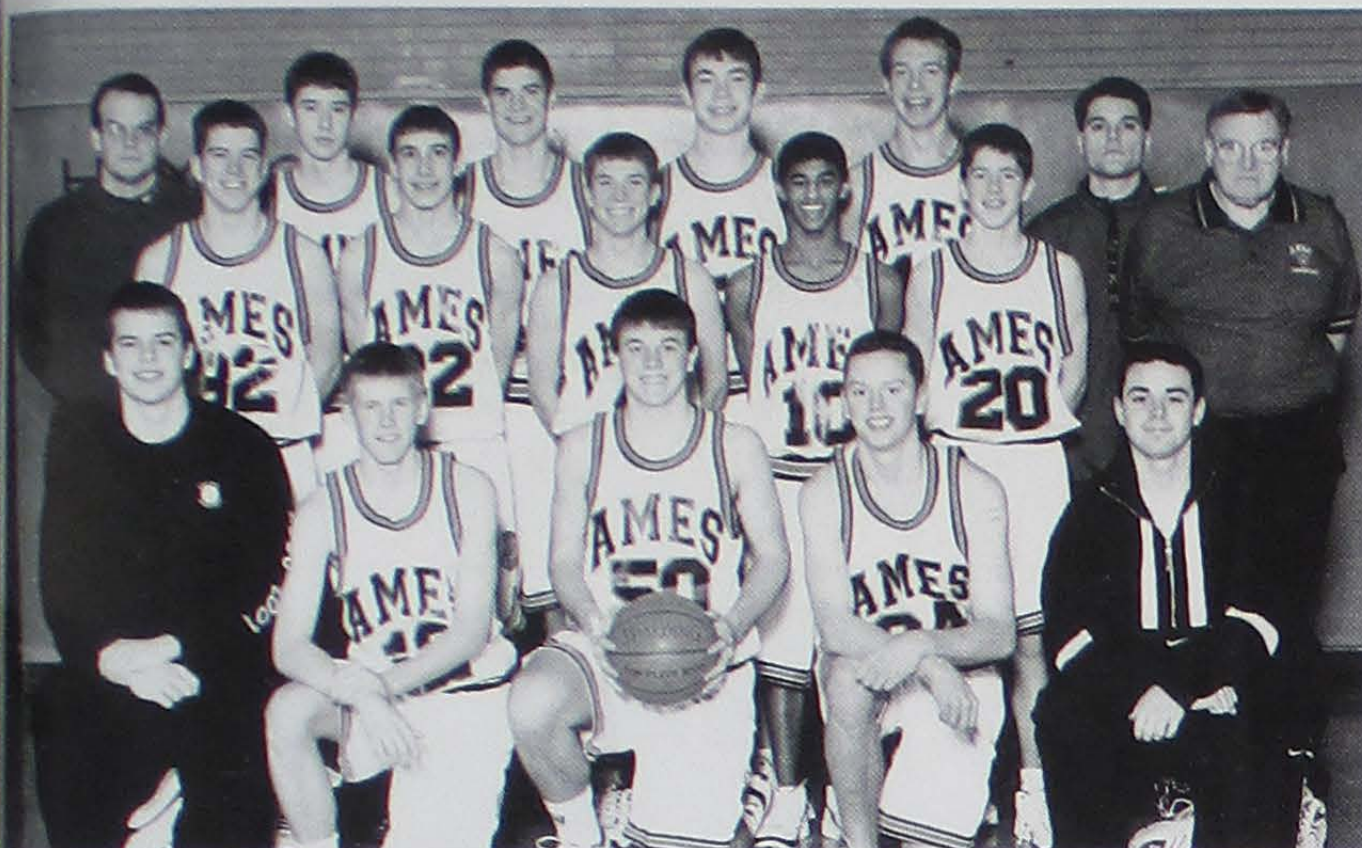
"I will always remember the word 'Ghost' because a certain someone didn't know how to spell it. I will also remember the days when we had to wake up at like 4 in the morning for practice."

- freshman Brad Schmidt



SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL

First Row: Aaron Rosheim, Brent Trevillyan, Evan Sengbusch, Tyler Wilson, Coach Matt McCarley **Second Row:** Trevor Smith, Nathan Porter, Ian Smith, Ben Comstock, Matt Weirson, Coach Ed Schwiegert **Third Row:** Coach Vance Downs, Patrick McConnell, Jonathan Nelson, Jim Strand, Andrew Nelson, Coach Dana Goodwin



FRESHMAN BASKETBALL

First Row: Bryan Ackerman, Brandon Buzzell, Cody Burgduff, Ben Johnson, Andrew Burgason **Second Row:** Coach Eric Bappe, Ben Hanson, Brad Schmidt, Darren Wheeler, Vinnie Vittal, John Misra, Paul Kearney, Coach Doc **Third Row:** Coach Rob Kain, Bret Maysent, Chad Cullinan, Eric Bokhoven, Matt Young, Ben Staniforth

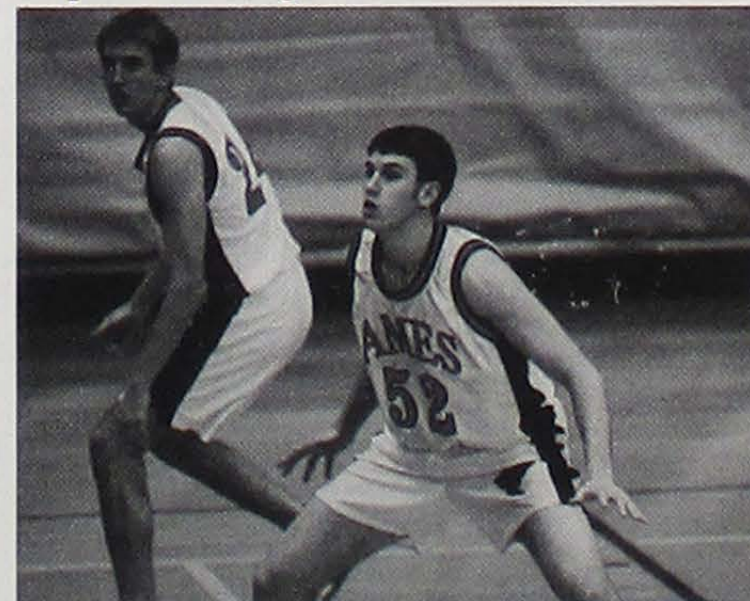


Senior point guard Jamie Smith looks up to the referee to see who will get possession of the ball after fighting for a rebound. Smith was in the process of passing down low to a fellow teammate when the opposing point guard attempted to steal the basketball.

The Ames High boys basketball team sits in the auditorium at an awards banquet at the end of their season. "We were conference champions because we came out and played to the best of our ability each game throughout the season. However, we biffed in sub-State game," said junior Chris Warren.



Senior boys basketball player Andrew Houk transitions to defense after a made shot. Every day the basketball team would work on drills covering every aspect of the game.



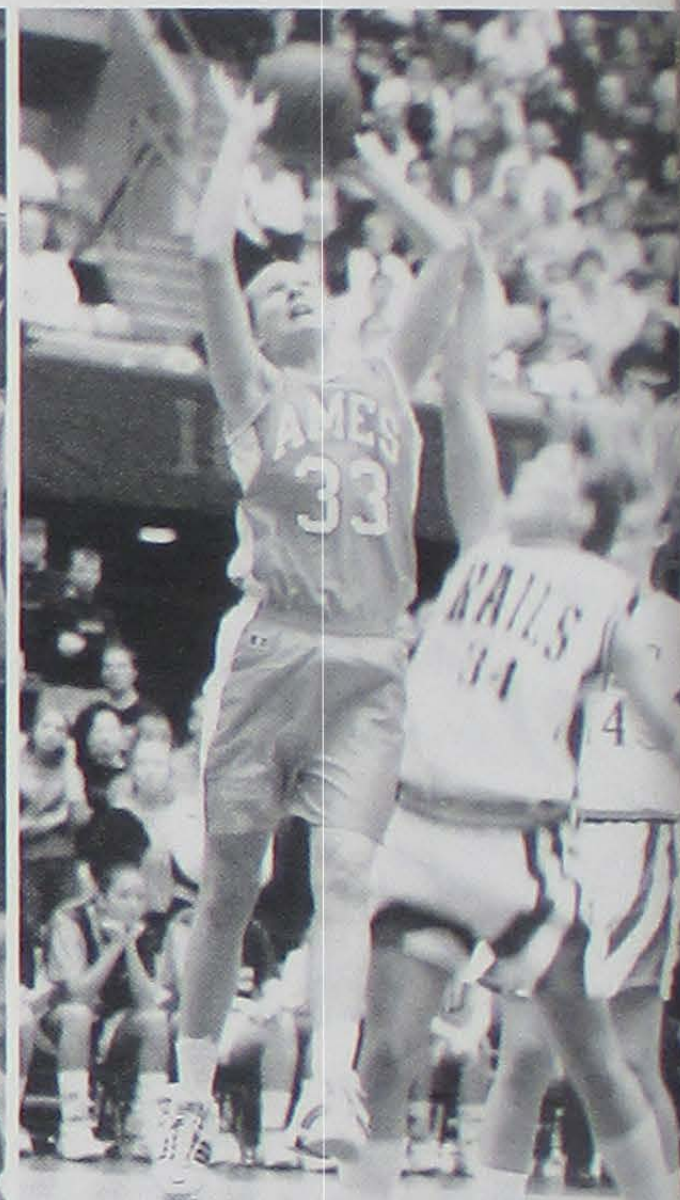
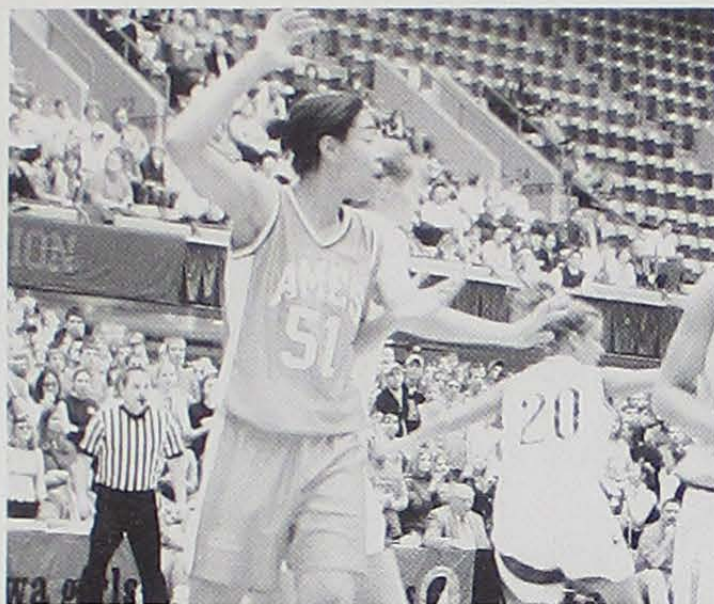
Girls Basketball

Regular Season

Dowling - L
 D.M. East - W
 Ankeny - W
 Urbandale - W
 D.M. North - W
 Mason City - W - W
 Valley - W - W
 Fort Dodge - W - W
 Marshalltown - W-W
 Newton - W
 D. M. Lincoln - L
State
 Mason City - W
 Fort Dodge - W
 Ankeny - W
 D.M. Lincoln - L



First Row: Jessica Pfeiffer, Shelby Junkman, Stacey Arkovich, Rachel Marek, Diane Borcharding, Lindsay Erickson, Elisa Arkovich, Laura Miller **Second Row:** Tamika Jenkins, Lauren Morz, Valerie Matters, Danny Stoops, Katie Gerbracht, Abby Sutherland, Cassidy Hall **Thrid Row:** Megan Morrow, Coach Joel Sullivan, Lori Bennett, Coach Bruce Vertenan, Erin Martin, Coach Mark Jurgensen, Amy Bappe, Kylan Loney



Top Left: Senior **Erin Martin**, a varsity basketball player, calls for the ball while playing in the State tournament. Middle: Ames High students wait patiently to sit down in their seats after waiting for a crowd from the game before to file out; even Mr. McGrory showed up for the event. Bottom Left: **Kylan Loney** runs down the court and attempts a lay up at a home game. Right: **Megan Morrow** fakes out her opponent and pulls off an inside jump shot.



"I remember when we walked into the wrong locker room at Dowling. We thought it was the right one so we started changing, but someone came in and said it was the wrong one. And someone from Dowling left their sweatshirt there so we took it."

- senior **Lindsay Erickson**



"I remember when we were on our way to the State tournament and we stopped to eat at Hickory Park and told them it was coach Vertenan's birthday. They came and sang to him. He was ok with it since he got a sundae out of the deal."

- junior **Laura Miller**



"What I remember most was when we went into double overtime against Valley. I will also remember Coach Stevens' jokes and how he made the season a lot better."

- sophomore Megan Brownfield

"What I remember most are the bus rides home and talking about basketball moves and stats (Yeah, right - hot guys!). It was a very, enjoyable season and I can't wait until next year (Stevens here we come!!).

- freshman Candy Huffman

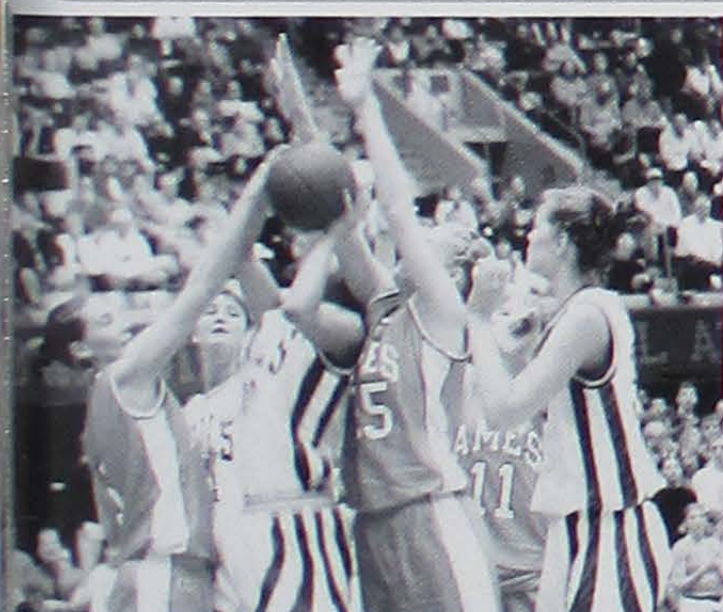


SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL

First Row: Jessie Swaim, Valerie Gleason, Ashley Drapal, Rozanne Megley **Second Row:** Megan Brownfield, Jessica Goecke, Rachel Wakefield, Lauren Burke, Emily Blaedel, Kelley Scheppler **Third Row:** Kristen Rozanski, Alisa Link, Coach Chuck Stevens, Rachel Taege, Mikaela Colbert

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL

First Row: Ashley Weigand, Shannon Cross, Patricia Mangaudis, Debra Borcharding, Laura Pospisil **Second Row:** Candy Huffman, Nadia Hashemi-Toroghi, Anna Kemis, Sarah Litwiller, Samantha Wakefield, Kara Drzycimski **Third Row:** Kelsey Thien, Colleen Armstrong, Coach Todd Volstedt, Kelly Butter, Coach Tracy Rial, Emily Lowry, Jessica Keefe



Seniors Amy Bappe and Lori Bennett fight to take away the ball from a Des Moines Lincoln girl at the state tournament. Despite losing the game, the team played well and worked hard, leaving everything they had out on the floor.

Many Ames High students obtained priors to travel to Des Moines and watch the girls play ball at State. "There was such a big turnout. That added to the experience of having the opportunity to play with this group of girls, especially the seniors. They have had such a wonderful career at Ames High," said junior Laura Miller.



Juniors Diane Borcharding and Laura Miller help pick up the bench during half time. "Bench warmers all the way! I didn't mind sitting the bench because I knew I was helping the team," said Borcharding.





VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL CHEERLEADING

First Row: Melissa Shill, Chelsea Guard, Katie Schmaltz, Chelsea Fitch, Jessica Rutherford **Second Row:** Julie Song, Tammi Vinci, Erica Peterson, Nathan Ackerson, April Berg, Jennifer Yates, Dawn Wright

"This was my first year so it was tough in the beginning, but it turned out all right in the end. One thing I will always remember is the 'Charlie's Cheerleaders' t-shirts that we made as a team."

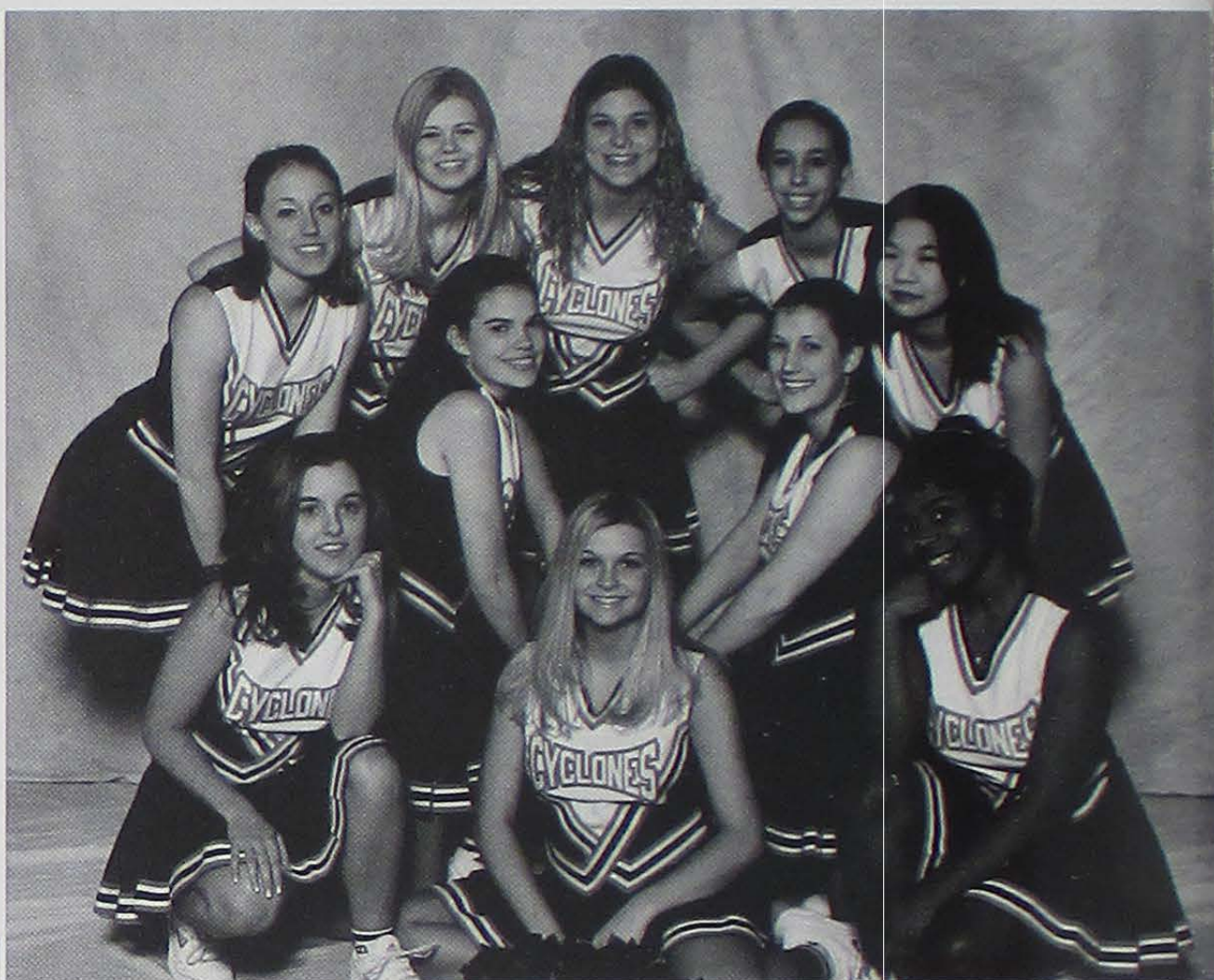
- junior **Katie Schmaltz**

VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL CHEERLEADING

First Row: Emmy Smith, Ashley Sartin, Latrice Sawyer **Second Row:** Ellyn Moore, Kate McHugh **Thrid Row:** Lisle Hinderks, Sara Tamashunas, Kellie Jutting, Stephanie Moore, Laura Ng

"What I remember most is getting to know all the girls on my squad and learning to be 'like super perky'. I also remember going to Boone and meeting lots of hot Boone guys and making idiots of ourselves."

- senior **Ellyn Moore**



VARSITY WRESTLING CHEERLEADING

First Row: Ashley Jones, Megan Berning **Second Row:** Anna Burgduff **Thrid Row:** Nasarene Hashemi-Toroghi, Melissa Mikesh, Amy Pavlik

"I will always remember that, as much as the wrestlers' moms wanted to ruin the season for us, we had an awesome time bonding together at the long Saturday meets thanks to Big Red."

- junior **Melissa Mikesh**





SOPHOMORE CHEERLEADING

First Row: Shannon Kerper **Second Row:** Danielle Schilling, Amy Brinkheide, Amy Noxon, Eva Stevens **Third Row:** Jenna Carr, Sarah Manatt, Anne Vleck, Molly Martins, Emmeline Hallam, Rachel Elliott, Heather Johnson

"After cheering for a boys Varsity basketball game at Fort Dodge, we for some reason pretended we were from the South and talked with a southern accent. Then we stopped at a Dairy Queen and ordered our food speaking in a southern accent. It drove the lady insane."

- sophomore **Molly Martins**

FRESHMAN CHEERLEADING

First Row: Sam Kapuan, Jackie McAchren
Second Row: Tess Hannapel, Carrie Foster, Sara Hansen
Third Row: Stephanie Jones, Liz Geske, Audrey Wiedemeier, Courtney Boelman

"I will always remember the good times we had during games when we weren't really paying attention. How could you blame us? Our uniforms weren't the greatest. Also, one day we just sat around eating chocolate cake."

- freshman **Sarah Hansen**



FRESHMAN CHEERLEADING

First Row: Helen Myers, Rachel Gonzalez
Second Row: Bailey Barnard, Jessica Maher, Susanne Bretz
Third Row: Andrea Schliesman, Robyn Bullok, Emily Stark, Jenny Scoles

"I remember all the sleepovers we had. And all the food we ate, umh. At one particular sleepover, Rachel Gonzalez and I took pictures of people while they were sleeping. Talk about black mail."

- freshman **Bailey Barnard**



Girls I-ball

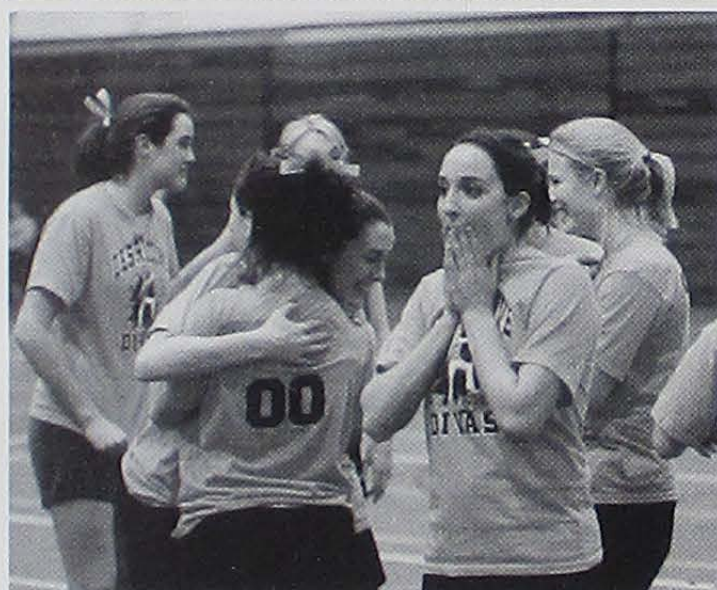
Girls I-ball

2000-2001

Champs



First Row: Erica Lynn, Anne Legg **Second Row:** Tamika Jenkins, Amy Pavlik, Stephanie Carrol, Christine Dickson, Lisa Corley, Betsy Ziegenbusch **Third Row:** Kylan Loney, Lori Bennett, Mara Wendel, Amanda Burke, Megan Maher



Top Left: At the girls final I-ball game, fans of the winning team, "The Availables", hold up a sign to support the team and show that senior rule. Middle: Sophomore I-ball team the, "Brutal Beavers", pose for a victory photograph after they beat their rival sophomore team, the "Destructive Divas". Bottom Left: Sophomores **Anna Downing**, **Carolyn Wilson**, and **Lindsey Olson** celebrate after their team, the "Destructive Divas," suprisingly beat the senior girls team, "TKB". Right: Members of a junior basketball I-ball team wait for the rebound in their game against "THC".



"I will never forget our chant we yelled before every game: 'We may not have boy-friends, but we can still score.' I will always remember the time when Tam Jenkins ran around in her flowered spandex during the game; she cracks me up!"

- senior **Anne Legg**



"We (The Availables) had a great time dominating the girls half of the Intermural basketball tournament, but we'll never know who the true champions are until THC gets some guts and agrees to play us in the real championship game instead of just slinging mud."

- senior **Stephanie Carrol**



"I remember trying to be put down by the system. Also, we got a really low seed and came back to win the championship. We were Team Humbolt County."

- senior Elliot Dowling

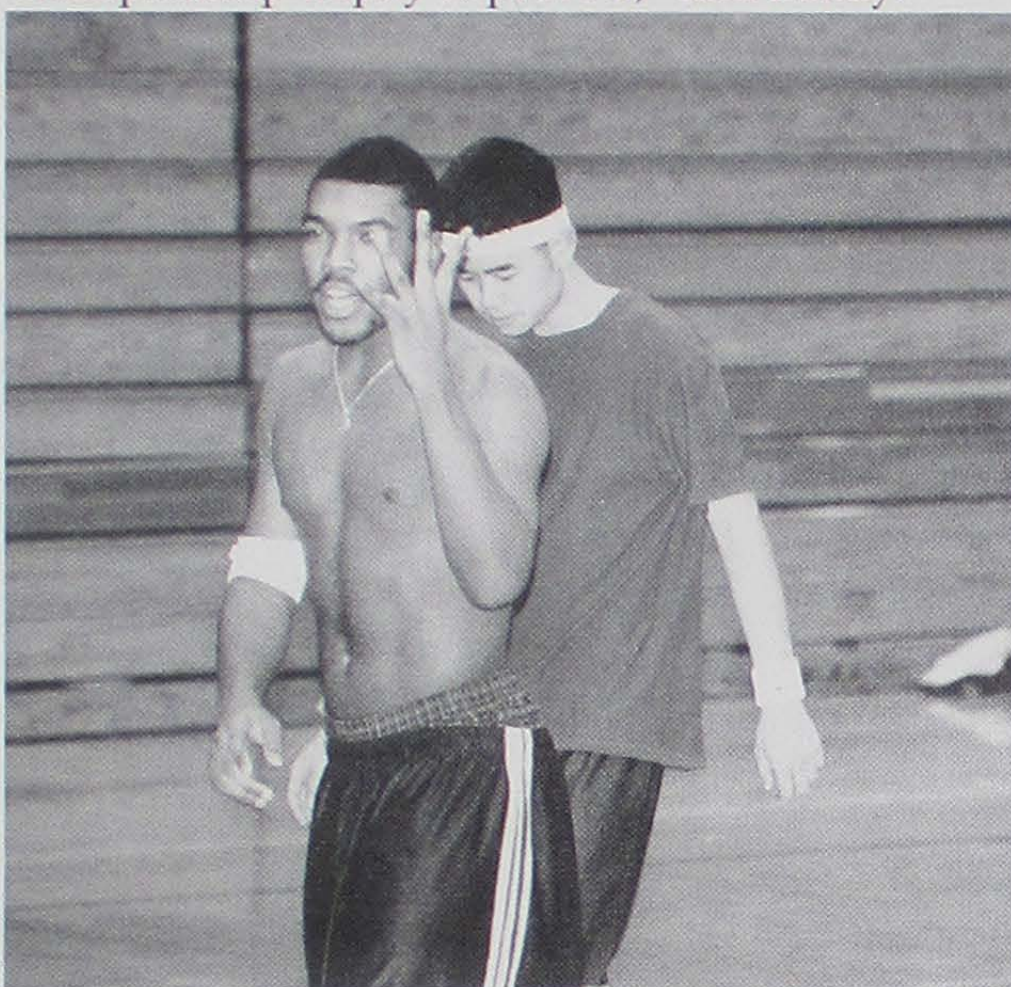
"The most memorable thing about this season would have to be all the summer workouts/lifting and spaghetti dinners because they really paid off."

- senior Mitch Ridnour



Seniors Matthew Stoltmier, Marcus Mitchell, and Mitchell Ridnour pose in front of their I-ball sign that was hung over the balcony in the back lobby. "We have completed phase one of our plan, next is world domination," said senior Adam Brown.

Senior Tariq Lundy flashes the team sign during one of the I-ball games. The team sign was seen everywhere all season long. "I think that the best part of I-ball was watching Daniel Habbab cry after every game, literally every game. And all I have to say about our team, THC, is the best team ever and we have the championship trophy to prove it," said Lundy.



Senior Jim Kain slam dunks the ball during the all-star teacher vs. students game. "I-ball is fun even if THC did cheat. Also, it is a lot more fun to play in a relaxed atmosphere with positive reinforcement. By the way, sophomore basketball rocked," said Kain.

Boys I-ball Boys I-ball 2000- 2001 Champs



First Row: Jasper MacDonald, Mitchell Ridnour, Matt Murphy **Second Row:** Darwin Jones, Justin Abbott, Elliott Dowling, Travis Knapp, Matt Stoltmier **Third Row:** Greg Payne, Marcus Mitchell, Eric Thompson, Adam Brown, Andrew Cross **Fourth Row:** David Melby, Tariq Lundy

Drill Team

1st @ Lakeview
& sportsmanship
award

State
Pon-pom - 3rd
All Boys - 2nd
All the dances
received division
one ratings



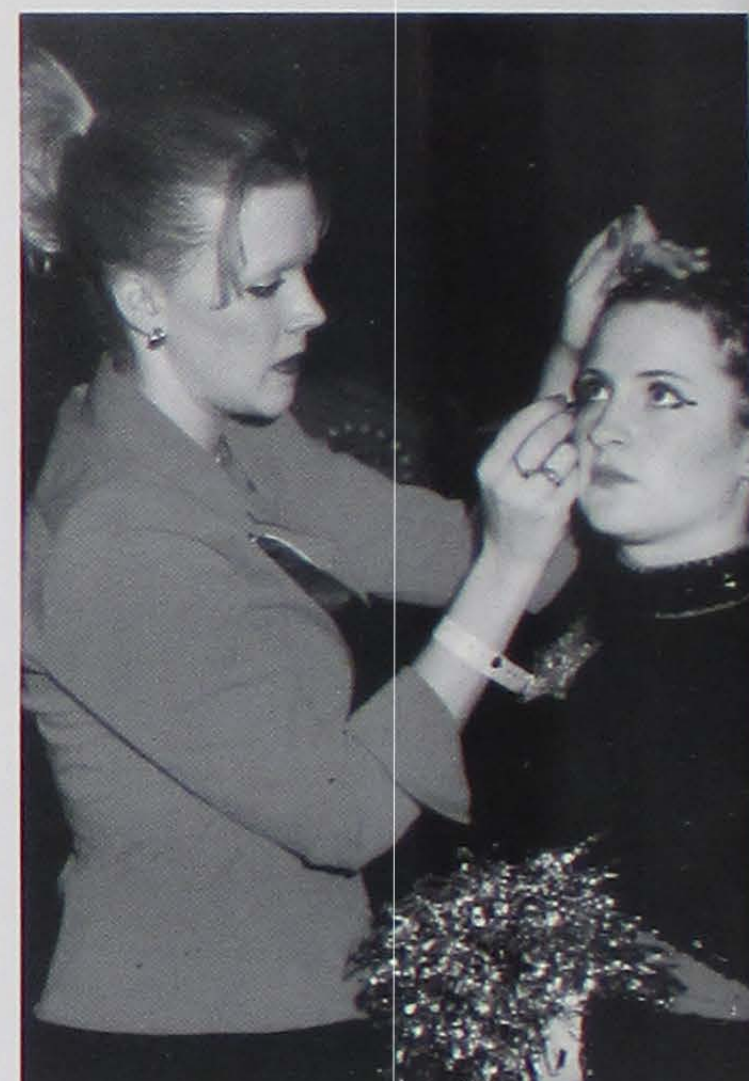
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Members of the girls drill team strike a pose after finishing washing a semi truck at their car wash. "The guy with the semi truck gave us \$20 to wash it. It was really gross to wash off all the bugs that were stuck in the grill of the truck," said sophomore **Kelly Baker**.



Freshman **Emily Tuttle** washes a car at the drill team car wash held in the Hy-Vee parking lot. "The best part was all the water fights we had and the popsicles that Hy-Vee gave us. The water fights ended up in a war between who had the buckets, hose, or sponges. The most fun part of the car wash was when we attacked our coach and her husband with all our water weapons," said Tuttle.



Junior **Sara Pfeiffer** holds still as her coach, Sarah Buss, applies her eye-liner for her. "All I have to say about all the make up we have to wear is that Barbie would be jealous, and do we look like clowns yet?," said Pfeiffer.



"I will always remember that we had one of our most successful seasons ever. We took away many trophies. We received many from State as well as from the Northwest Iowa competition and Southeast Polk Competition."

- senior **Betsy Ziegenbusch**



"I will always remember the night when we went around at 11 p.m. and woke up all the incoming freshmen. The funny thing was the parents didn't know we were coming so they came out in their pajamas."

- junior **Jill Nelson**



"What I will always remember the most about our season was when we placed at State for the first time ever. What made the season enjoyable was all the team activities we did together such as the 'I am loved' t-shirts."

- sophomore **Mary Gilarski**



"The highlight of the entire season was going down to State, dancing well, drinking strawberry smoothies and watching other drill teams dance to 'Hey Mickey' over and over and over again. By the end of the day we knew the song by heart."

- freshman **Caitlyn Knuth**



Junior **Beth Palumbo**, senior **Betsy Ziegenbusch**, junior **Melissa McElvain**, and freshman **Elizabeth Wandling** lift sophomore **Caroline Nunez** into a airplane stunt at the State competition. "State was the greatest and the most fun experience I have ever encountered. It is two days long and you get to watch all the dances and perform what you have been working on all year long," said Palumbo.



The Ames High Boys Drill team shows off their trophy and poses for a picture after the state drill team competition. "We were 'off the hook' at state. You could tell that we always had the most fun out of all the groups. That's the most important thing. Oh yeah, we got second at state!" said senior **Chris Norris**.



Freshman **Erin Thatcher** performs her pon-pom routine during one of drill team's performances at home. "The cowboy dance was really fun to perform in front of judges and a crowd. It had pon-pom switches which are really cool looking and fun to do. Also I enjoyed that our costumes were way cute. One thing that I will always remember about drill team are the team building activities. The most exciting one was the progressive dinner. We would start at one house and eat a part of the meal, then move to someone else's house and eat another part of the meal, and it continue until we had eaten a whole meal," said Thatcher.

Hockey

Waterloo - L-L-L
DM Capitals - L-L-L-L
DM OakLeafs - W-L
OM Gladiators - W-W
Mason City - L-L-L
Dubuque - L-W-L
Lincoln - Tie - L
Sioux City - L-L
OM Jr. Lancers - L-L
Quad Cities - W-W-W
Kansas City - L-L

Games Won - 7
Games Lost - 20
Games Tied - 1



First Row: Jason Smith, Brent Swanson, Lincoln Nicholes, Grant Wilson, Blair Posegate, Matt Duffy, Paul Knosby, Levi Nicholes **Second Row:** Coach Marc Rodgers, Ross Posegate, Coach Josh Fenton, Nathan Reiss, AJ Kutilla, Dustin Tenney, Austin Hurt, Ben North, Elliott Dowling, Coach Kevin Oswald, Jason Huls **Third Row:** Matt Tompson, Shawn Mabe, Jason Clark, Marc Willy, Mitchell Ridnour, Chris Weber, Burton Hable, Matt Swaim **Fourth Row:** Jordan Kappos, Trever Heithoff, Micah Jackson, Tyler Heithoff, Julius Pumbo



Senior **Matt Swaim** fakes out his opponent and takes the puck across the blue line toward the other team's goal. Hockey was a test of the level of communication between players and the faith required in teammate's ability and skill.



Senior **Tyler Heithoff** clears the puck out of Ames' zone by slapping it past one of the offensive players from the other team. "The night before our last home game we spray painted everybody's nicknames in their stalls. Then we proceeded to spray paint the rest of the locker room in many different colors. When we were done the shower room is now red and blue. The lights are tie-dye looking and the toilets are gold.



Senior **Jason Huls** watches his team pursue the other team's goal. "Not everybody can be a goalie; you have to be a little weird to do the job. Oh, by the way, **Brent Swanson** broke his own leg. Nobody else did it, it was all him," said Huls.



"I will always remember how we as a team actually pulled together this year. It was not a bunch of separate cliques, we were all one unit playing as one unit. That is something we have not had in a really long time so it was a great change of pace."

- senior **Tyler Heithoff**

"The thing I found most enjoyable about the season was rooming with Matt Swaim, Austin Hurt, and Levi Nichols. We had some good times. My favorite outing was watching the All-Star game and playing hours of pond hockey at Knapp's."

- junior **Jason Clark**



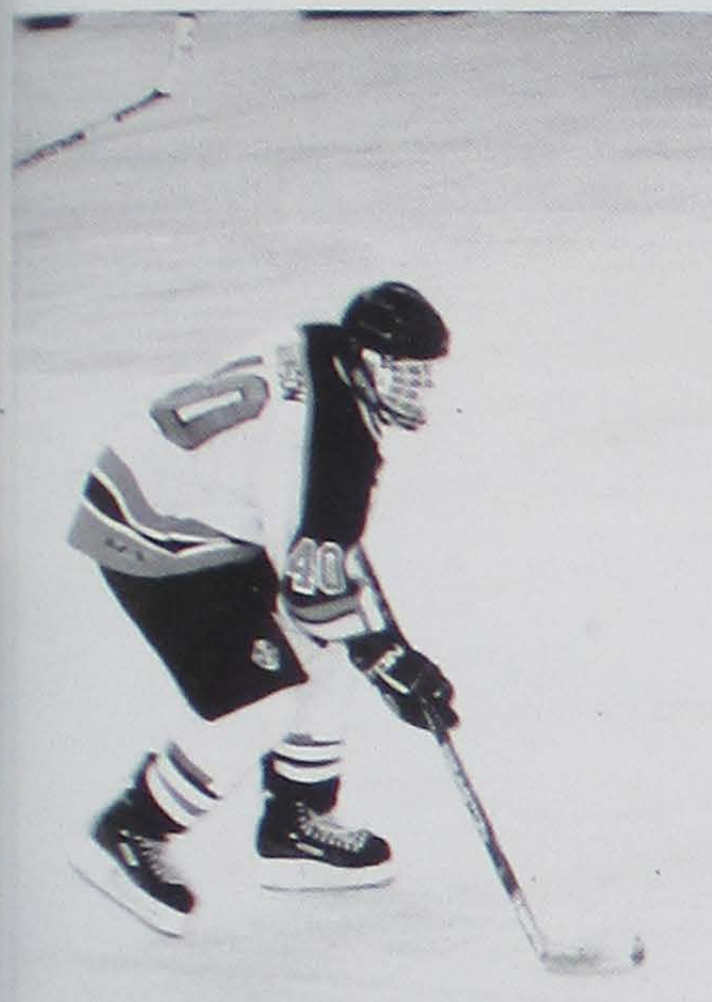


"What I remember most is rooming with Matt Swaim and Jason Clark. Or seeing Brent Swanson accidentally hit a Dubuque fan in the face with a skittle. Most of all playing with class act gentlemen like Ben North."

- sophomore **Austin Hurt**

"I remember one weekend when three freshmen including myself, lost over thirty to forty dollars while gambling. We are the smart people. The nice thing is that we have an excuse: we're freshmen; we didn't know better."

- freshmen **Brent Swanson**



Freshman **Brent Swanson** skates past the blue line toward the other team's goal in hopes of scoring a goal. "Being a freshmen on the varsity team is a huge accomplishment and a great honor. I was very fortunate that I was able to play with all the seniors. I will always remember all the good times I had rooming with Travis Knapp. All I have to say is I didn't get much sleep, but it's all good," said Swanson.



Sophomore **Trevor Heithoff** takes the face off during a home game against the Des Moines Stars. "I will always remember playing every game in the ol' rink. I'm really excited to get on the new ice because there won't be a slope in the ice or low boards which make checking somewhat more painful," said Heithoff.



The Ames High Little Cyclone hockey team huddles around the goal to get pumped up before the start of the game. Huddled around senior goalie **Jason Huls**, the Little Cyclones would frequently chant phrases such as "no regrets" and "OFC." With these chants echoing through the dilapidated ice rink the Little Cyclones thought the fans would not be able to figure out what "OFC" really meant, but they knew. "Our filthy chicks," not so clever now are ya' Knapp? The Little Cyclone hockey team was a close niche, both in spirit and in play, which is how they managed to win on senior night.

Swimming

Regluar Season

Mike Wittmer - W

Conference - 2nd

*8 School Records

State

Runner-up by 5pts &

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Andrew VanMeter - 2

State Records - 100

Butterfly & 100 Back

Named "All-American"

Andrew VanMeter

Adam Shaull

Michael Peterson

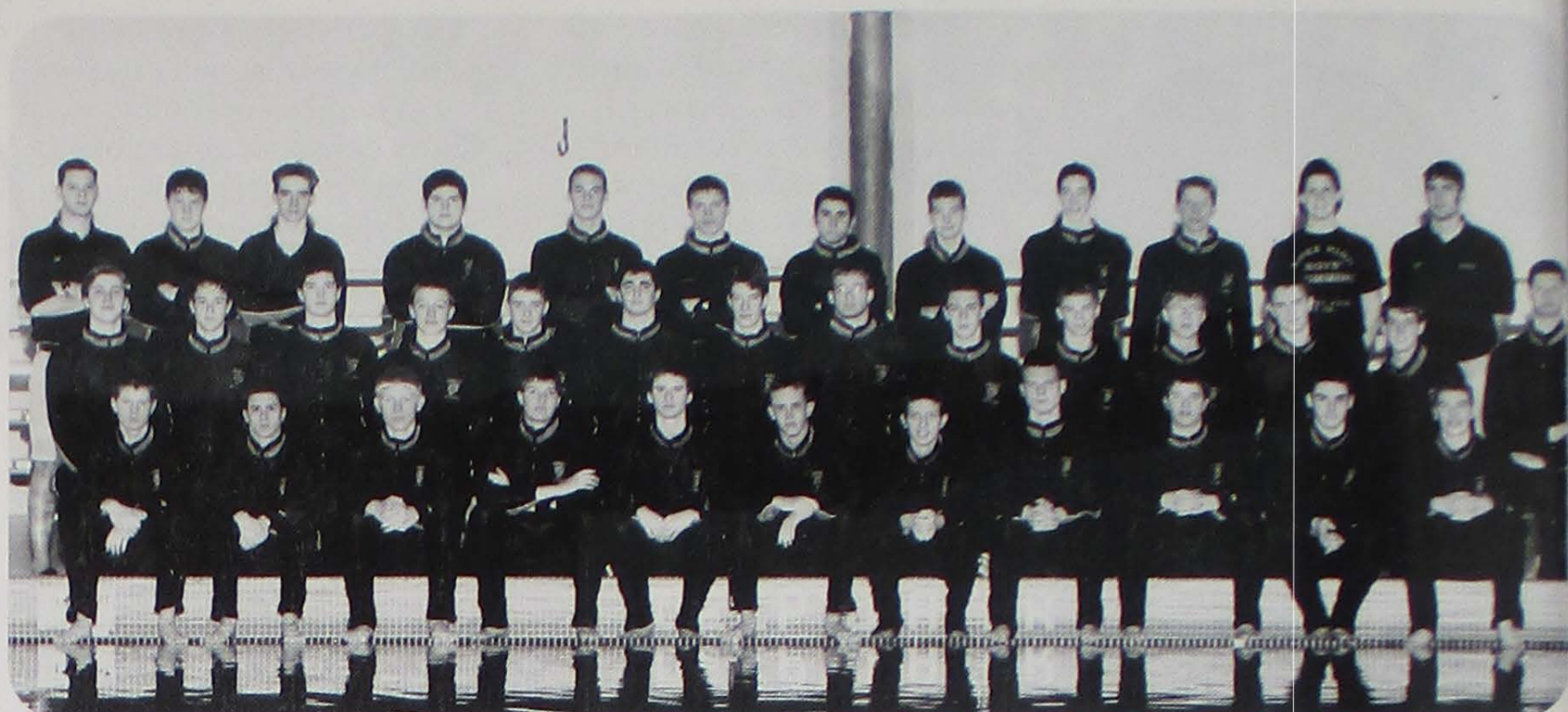
Michael Eggert

Joe Herriges

Jon Saxton

Tony Borich

6th in the Country



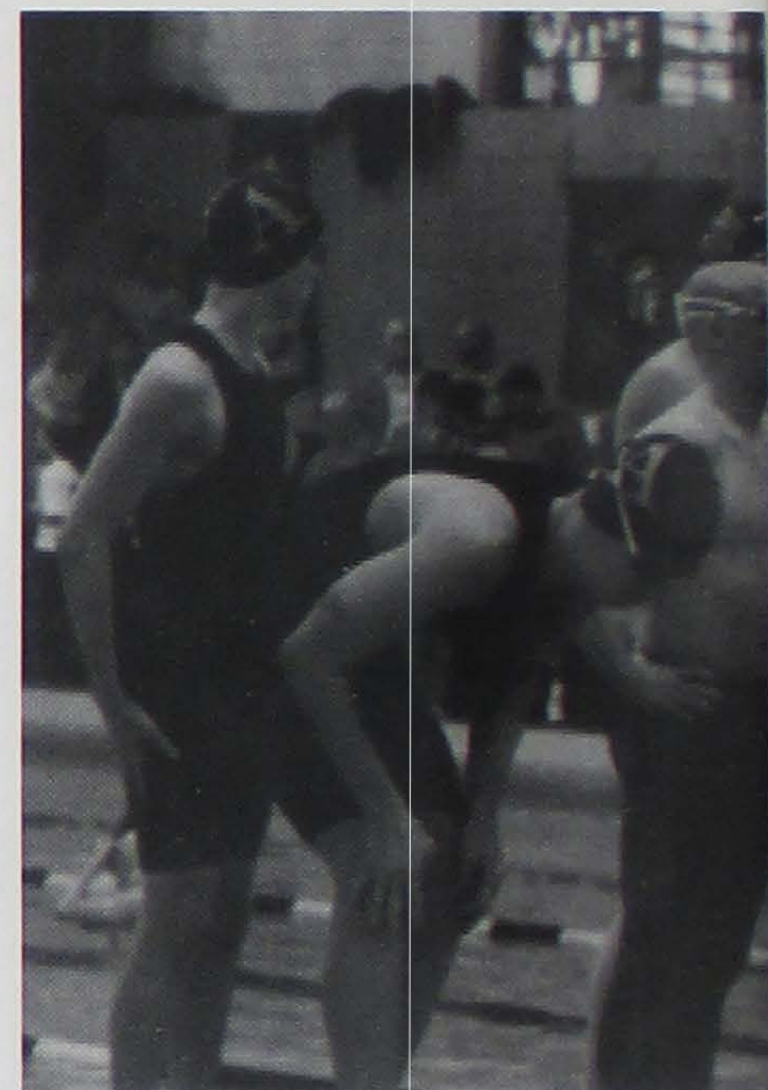
First Row: Seth Leving, Tyler Stodtman, Nick Welther, Chris Timmons, Luke McDuff, Adam Shaull, Tim Dunn, Justin Hesel, Mark Bullen, Marsden Hand, Adam Rowings **Second Row:** Mike Kienzler, Greg Bonnett, Thomas White, Ben Noack, Tony Borich, Michael Eggert, Matt Spencer, Tristian Brown, Jon Saxton, Les Schwiebert, Gavin White, John Herriges, Colin Wheeler, David Hugdull **Third Row:** Coach Dan Flanery, Boonie Aagasen, Stephen Fuge, John Koehler, Joe Herriges, Andrew VanMeter, Nima Golitehen, Josh Robinson, Mark Shirbroun, Micheal Peterson, Manager Erin Belcher, Coach Ben Litton



Sophomore **Michael Eggert** awaits the starters comand to start. "It was cool that we went out to eat as a team together and talked about all the races game plan. We all knew our part on the team so we knew we just had to let it fall into place," said Eggert.



Junior **Les Schwiebert** executes his breast stroke open flip turn in the final leg of his one-hundred meter race. "One of the things that I individually tried really hard to work on and improve this season was making my open turns faster and also to make my stream line longer," Schwiebert said. The simple maneuver of a open turn can add seconds or subtract seconds from a swimmers time.



Sophomore **Michael Eggert**, junior **Tony Borich** senior **Adam Shaull** and junior **Joe Herriges** await the start of the 4x50 relay race to start at the state meet. "This year everybody was real focused and peaked at the same time, which really helped us in the end," said Borich.



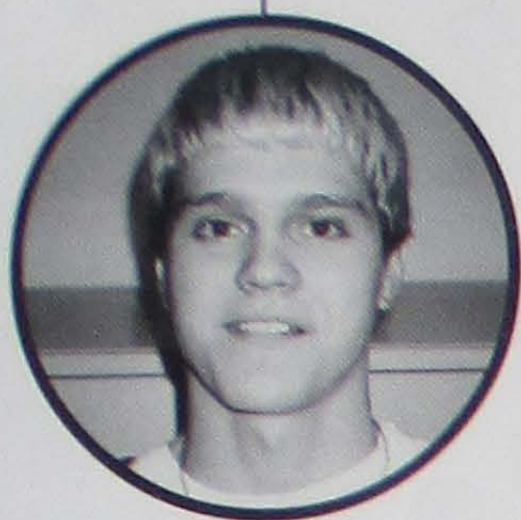
"I am way proud of the team for the second place finish at State meet. Besides State the only other thing that I will really remember is Joe Herriges being the team therapist."

- senior Adam Shaull

"I'll always remember, not that I want to but its kind of funny in a gross way, the people who frequently had problems using the restroom because they would rather go in the pool."

- junior Les Schwiebert



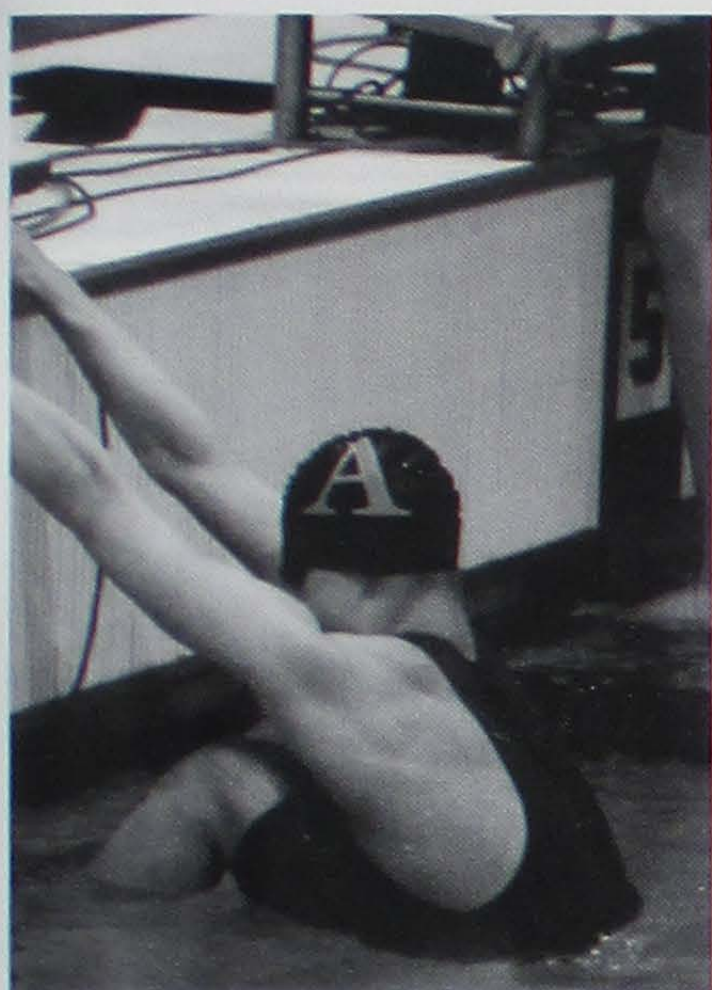
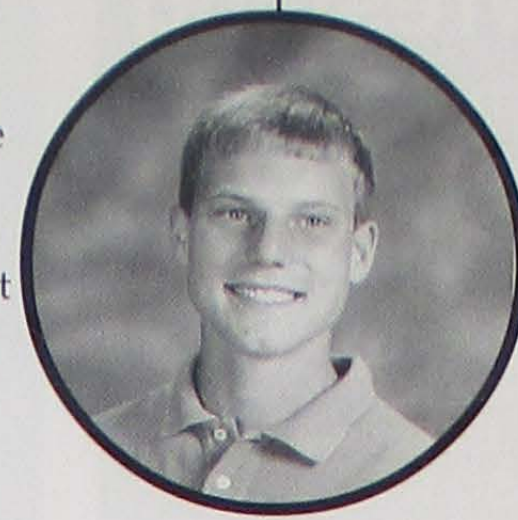


"Swimming at Districts and then getting over mono and being able to come back and win State and defend my championship was by far the greatest experience, and my favorite memory, of what happened to me this season."

- sophomore **Andrew VanMeter**

"It was a honor to be a very small part on a very great team! I wasn't planing to go out till my football coach tole us to expand our harizons. The team aspect is what keeps me swimming and that everybody working towards one common goal."

- freshmen **Justin Heser**



Sophomore **Andrew VanMeter** prepares for the start of the one-hundred meter backstroke at the State meet. "I knew after my butterfly race that I was all good for the back because I felt good in the water and was very focussed. I was in my zone and nothing could stop me. It was funny because right bfore my fly race this guy was talking trach to me and I didn't even notice because I was in my zone," said VanMeter.



Junior **Jon Saxton** prepares himself for the start of his individual race, during the State comptition for boys swimming. The members of the Ames High boys swimming program that attended the compition at State were very focused, they all had one common goal in mind, to win State. "Our State meet was a great way to finish up the season and nothing could have made it any better unless we had won the whole thing. That is next years plan of attack though. We all swam our hardest and to the best of our ability and we looked really good doing it so we're pretty happy with the way things turned out." said Saxton.



Sophomore **Matthew Spencer** swims the butterfly stroke in a race, during a home meet. "The butterfly is very hard and real tiring. The swim season was a lot of fun because of all the great guys that particapated in it. Also the spaghetti dinners were great because of all the food that was served and all the food you got to eat," said Spencer.

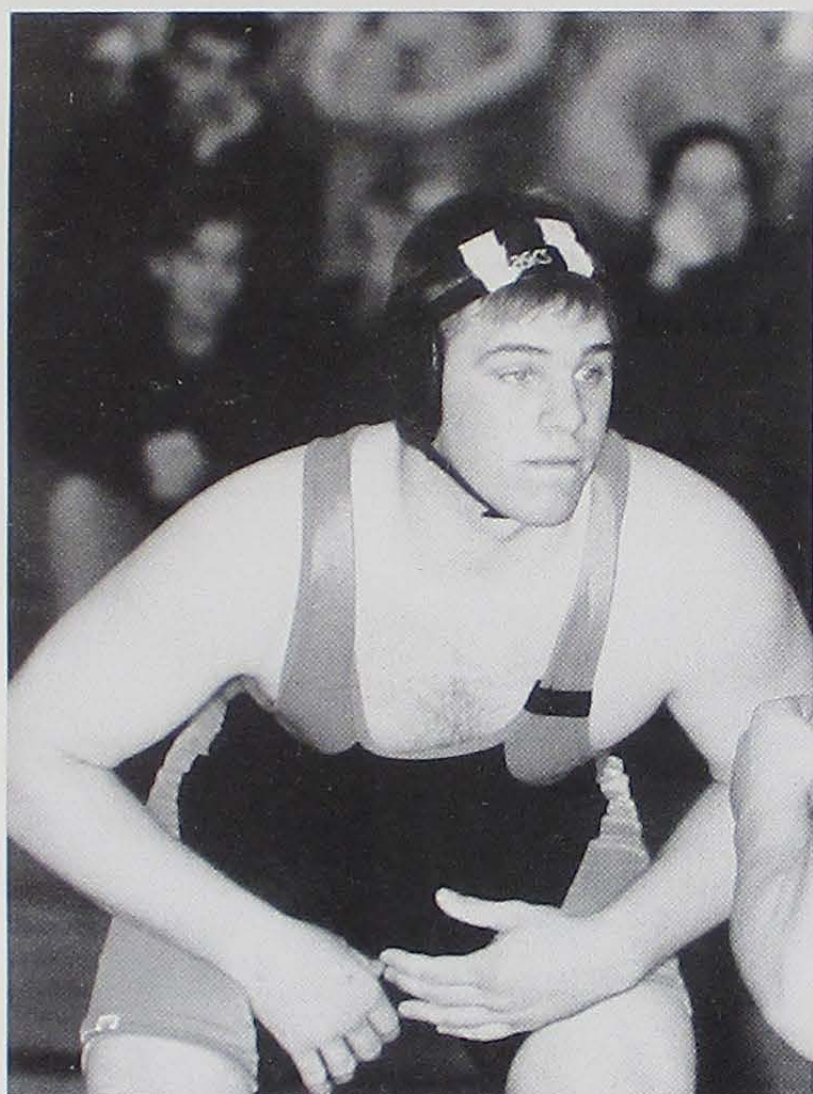
Wrestling

Urbandale - L
Johnston - W
Ankeny - W
D.M. East - W
Valley - W
D.M. Lincoln - L
Esterville - W
SC Heelan - W
LinnMarr - W
SL. Park - W
Mason City - W
Fort Dodge - W
Marshalltown - L
Newton - W

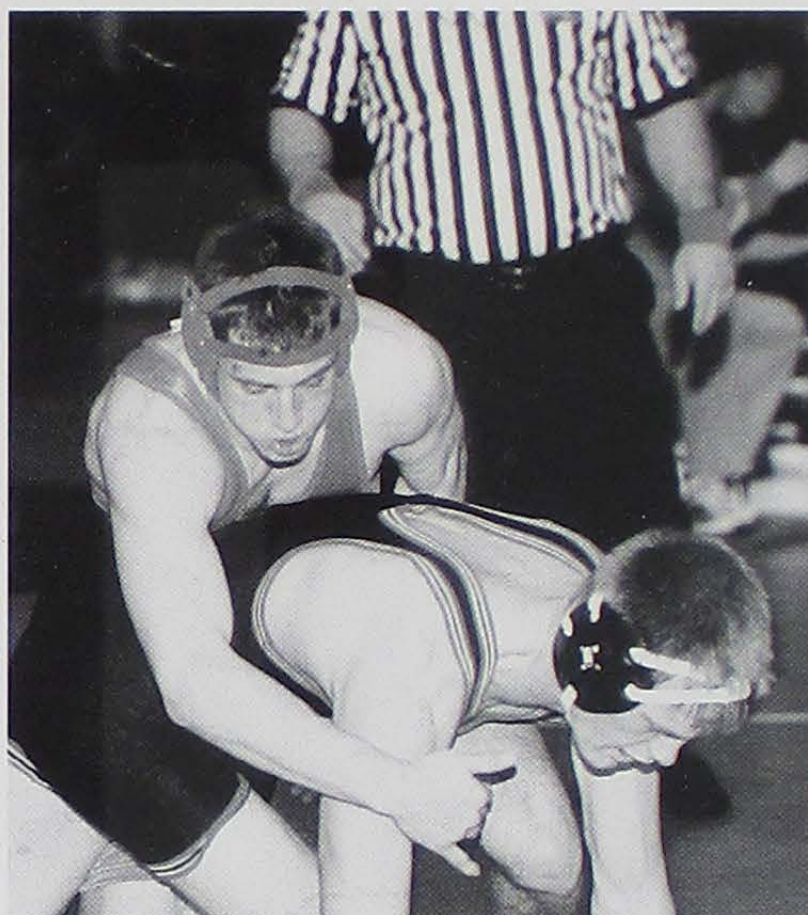
Conference - 1st
Districts - 2nd
State - 13th



First Row: Andrew Metz, Grant Lambi, Mike Young, Erik Helling, Dan Bretz, David Metzger, Josh Marker **Second Row:** Matt Young, Nels Matson, Mike Heitzman, Matt Kinker, Mark Bokhoven, Luke Steinhoff, John Tucker, Rickey Thompson **Third Row:** John Muehe, Brian Grove, David Ling, Drew Belcher, TR Dilla, Bill Cleary, Ryan Henriksen



Senior **David Ling** ponders what his next move is going to be. "This year we were conference champs. That was huge. Our coach had a lot to do with the success we had. He knew what needed to be done to be successful," said Ling.



Senior **Mike Heitzman** takes down his man during a home meet. "The feeling of beating someone is totally exhilarating. Wrestling is a one on one fight and only one walks away a winner. Being that winner is the greatest feeling that any person could ever experience. In order to have success in wrestling you have to be in touch in these three ways: mentally, physically, and skillfully. If you don't have one you don't have any," said Heitzman.



Senior **Luke Steinhoff** struggles to hold his man down during a home meet. "The hardest part of wrestling for Matt Kinker, Mark Bokhoven, and me was the constant weight cutting. But for me it was probably the greatest challenge," said Steinhoff.



"This year during practice the intensity level was extremely high. Everybody knew that they had a job to accomplish. Wrestling is the most demanding sport there is, but it's also the most beneficial and rewarding. Like State, it is the greatest feeling you will ever have."

- senior **Mike Heitzman**



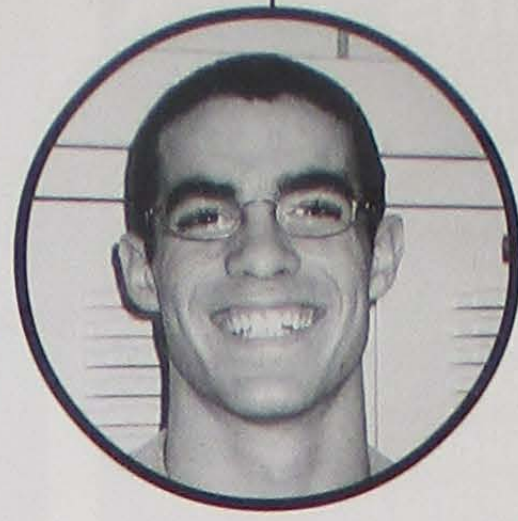
"Being the first conference champions ever in school history was the greatest feeling I have ever experienced and a huge accomplishment. Another thing that was awesome, for me, was dropping this kid on his head and knocking him out for a few minutes."

- junior **Dan Bretz**



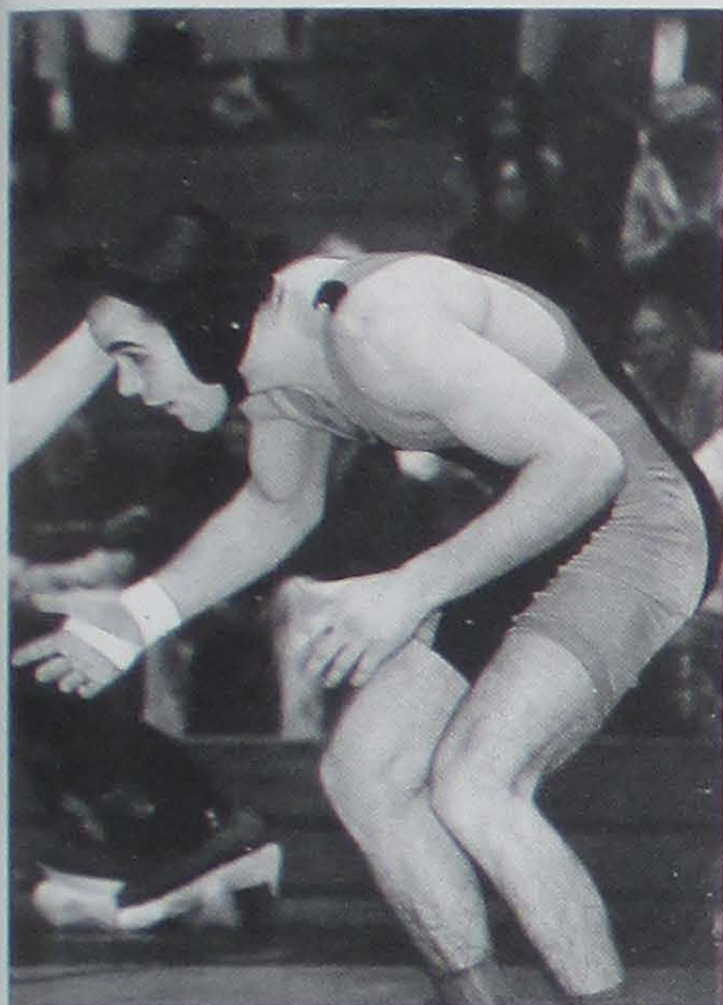
"The best part of wrestling is the feeling of going out on the matt for the first time in the first match of the state meet. It was such an adrenaline high. I felt so many different things all at once like excitement, nervousness, and awe."

- sophomore **Josh Marker**



"The thing I remember most about this year's wrestling season was getting my butt kicked by all the upperclassmen from out of town. And in response to the questionnaire that yearbook gave me: Wrestling? Enjoyable? Who wrote these questions?"

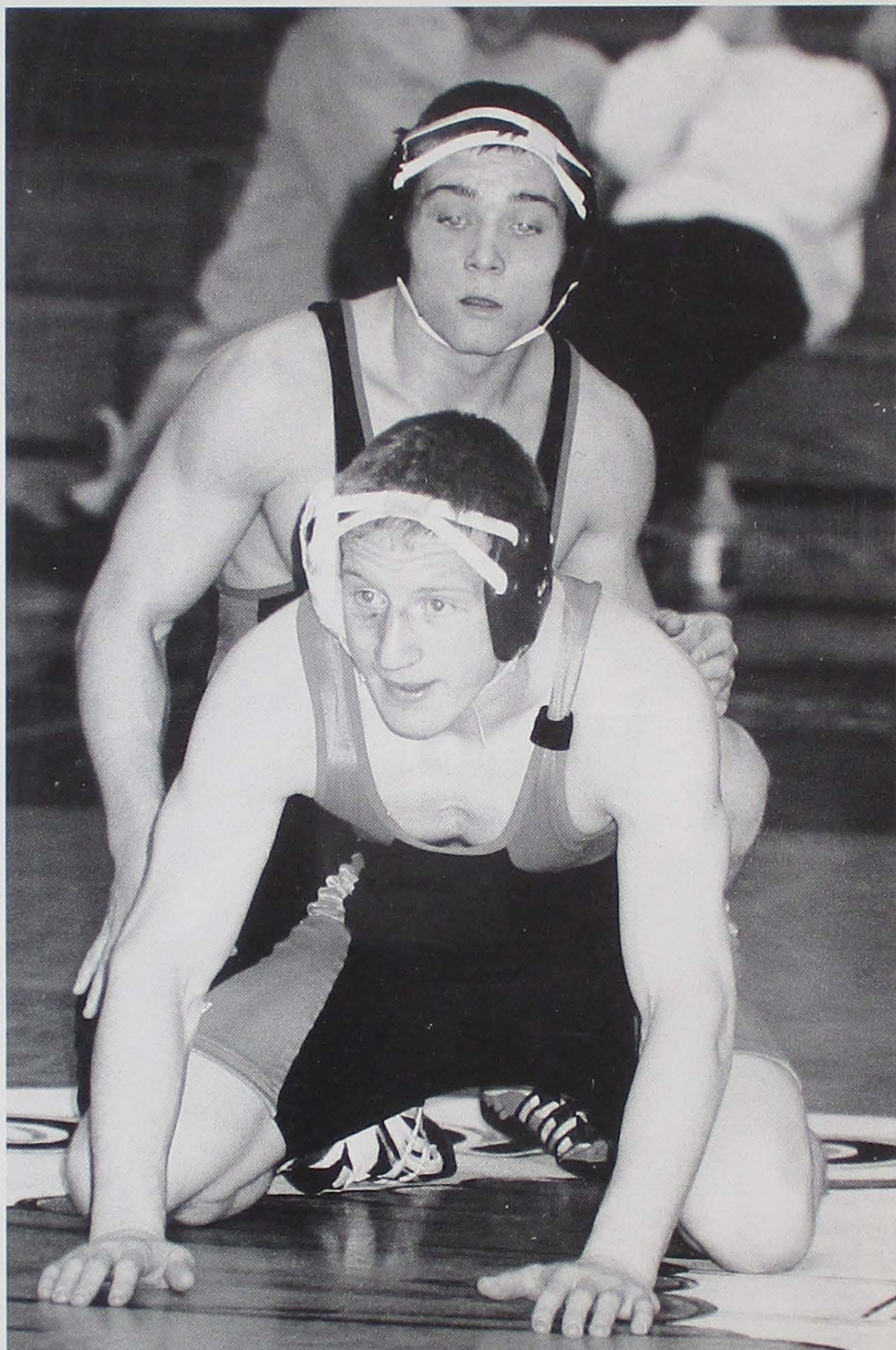
- freshman **Matt Young**



Junior **Mike Young** gets into position to take down his opponent at the wrestling meet against Johnston which they won 45-22. "All I have to say about wrestling is that we are by far the cleanest people. I mean we have to be, we take like five showers a day. Oh, I would also have to say that the jokes the coaches played on us were most enjoyable, but aren't appropriate to be explained," said Young.



Senior wrestler **Mark Bokhoven** tries to pin his opponent in a home meet against Newton. "I believe that Ames High wrestlers are more superior than any other athlete at Ames High because we work the hardest and we are the best trained. I have no doubt in my mind that we could take on anyone in the school," said Bokhoven.



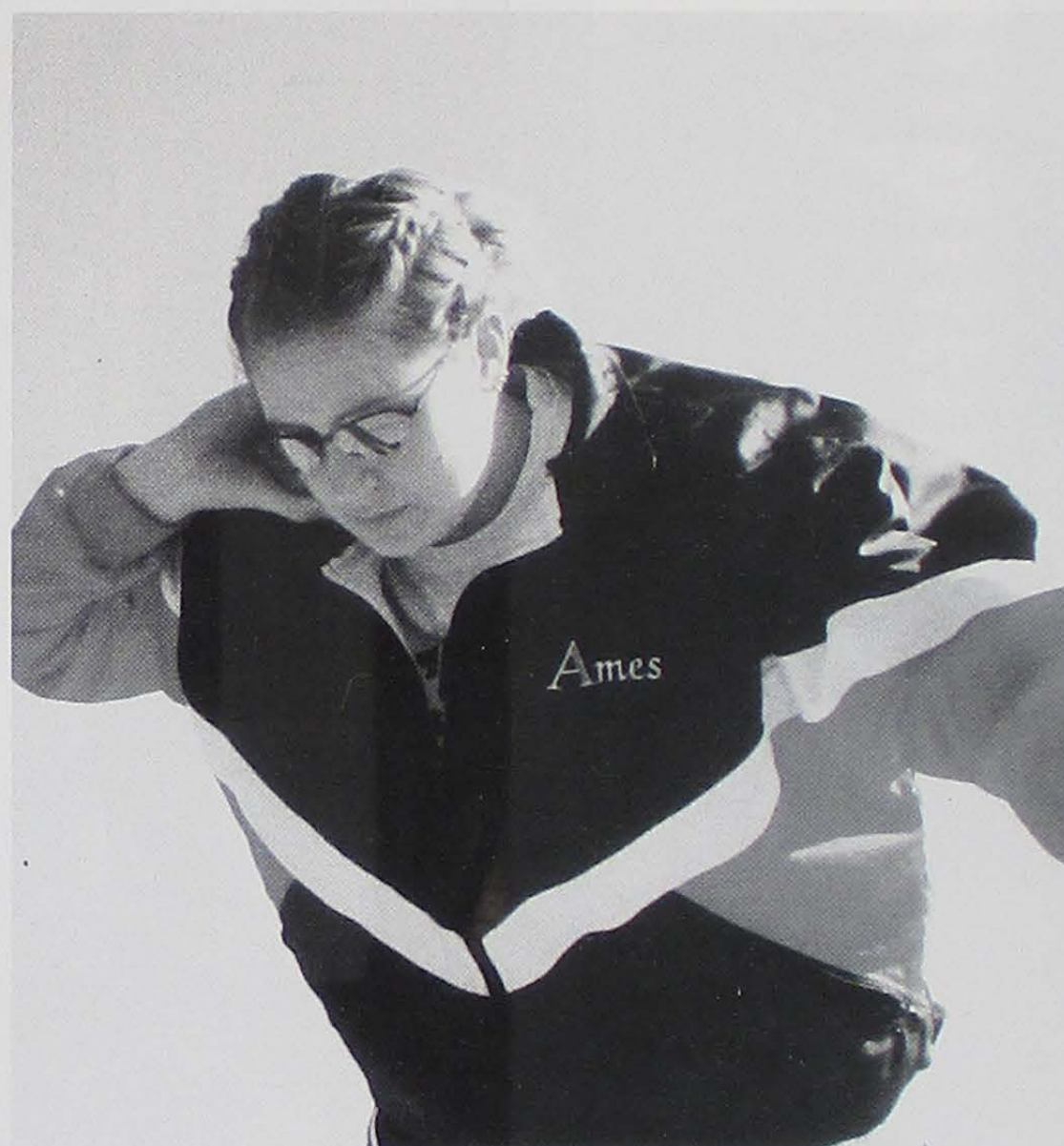
Senior wrestler **Nels Matson** looks out to the sideline to his coach for tips as he starts out in the down position in a meet against Valley in which the Ames High wrestling team was victorious. "This years wrestling team was made up of many gifted and talented wrestlers who made this a good season compared to the previous high school wrestling team. Our team performed better than any other team that I have ever seen. Unfortunately this fact could not over shadow my disappointment caused by my personal performance," said Matson. Ames High finished first in conference, second in districts, and thirteenth at the State competition.

Girls Track

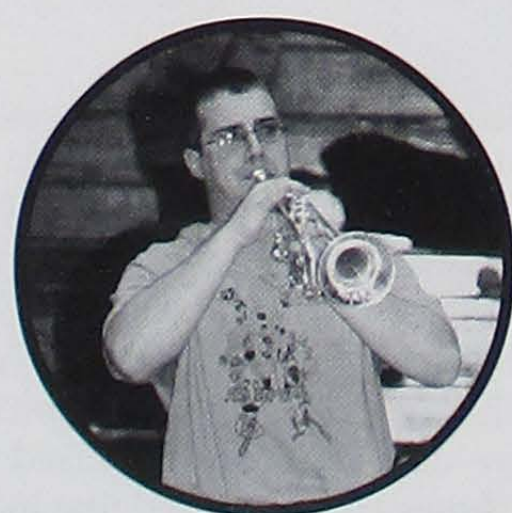
ISU Indoor - Unscored
 UNI - Unscored
 Luther Indoor-Unscored
 Waukee Invite - 1st
 Ames Invite - Unscored
 Ram Relays - 1st
 Valley Relays - 3rd
 Werling Invite - 3rd
 Ames Invite - Unscored
 Dodger Relays - 1st
 Drake Relays - Unscored
 Mohawk Relays - 1st
 Districts - 3rd
 Conference - 1st
 State - 1st
 State - 4th
 State Pentathalon - 1st



First Row: Katie Schmaltz, Kia Lacy, Cari Lemke, Komila Mukerjee, Jennifer Dobson, Rachel Koch, Katie Lutz, Eve Honeyman, Angela Bennett, Katie Cottrill, Megan Wright, Emily Smith, Heather Lowman, Eva Thompson, Tam Jenkins, Laura Ritland, Jennifer Ohman Second Row: Traci Hawley, Jackie Brannan, Jennifer Yates, Charissa Millen, Farah Jouhar, Gala Edwards, Katie Brown, Krystal Pilcher, Stephanie Ferguson, Eva Stevens, Beth Gibbons, Laurie Welch, Samantha Malone, Megan Baughman, Anna Domoto, Rachel Teas Third Row: Laura Obrycki, Jessica Goecke, Melissa Wonder, Rachel Tapper, Coach Rachel Larson, Coach Beth Myers, Coach Ashely Grundman, Coach Kirk Schmaltz, Coach Jim Duea, Coach Joel Sullivan, Coach Aileen Sullivan, Coach Justin Shaack, Coach Ben Overman, Laurie Mormon, Angela Schroeder, Julie Regan, Elisa Arkovich Fourth Row: Anna Steele, Rachel Smelser, Kim Rodgers, Stacey Arkovich, Melissa Owen, Kaylie Engelen, Lindsey Olson, Jessie Swaim, Kristen Calentine, Elizabeth Song, Tigon Harmison, Emily Faqua, Katie Adam, Sarah Faquet, Caitlyn Knuth, Emily Cohen Fifth Row: Kira Shonkwiler, Kelly McMaken, Kristen Emery, Kristine Stasko, Ann Dressler, Megan Kingsbury, Laura Kim, Emily Tuttle, Laura Kim, Pam Mangaudis, Katie Polouchkina, Samantha Wakefield, Alyssa Sturm, Muji Jacobson, Jaclynn Gard, Kara Drzycimski Sixth Row: Lissa Catus, Cassidy Hall, Sarah Tamashunas, Megan Doering, Nassirane Hashemi-Torog, Rachel Taege, Debra Borcharding, Amy Rodgers, Katie Gidlewski, Heather Johnson, Olga Blum, Amber Atwood, Trisha Larson, Megan Edwards, Ambar Dekok, Michelle Mendonca Seventh Row: Valerie Matter, Rose Ochieng, McKinzie Clyde, Erin Johnson, Shay Pruger, Colleen Armstrong, Emily Bladel, Robin Kohler, Amanda Dillavou, Angie Linduski, Emily Polich, Megan Maher, Anna Duple, Kylan Loney, Ashley Hardin Eighth Row: Abby VanMaaren, Kesha Johns, Laura Skladany, Allison Mohlke, Jessica Keefe, Laura McElherne, Kelsey Thein, Andrea Hunacek, Erica Lynn, Carly Mortensen, Anne Legg



Top Left: The girls track throwers proudly show off their T-shirts made in honor of their coach. The front of the t-shirts displayed "Proper of Coach Grundmann" and the back sported their names and the title of sergeant. Middle: Senior **Anna Duple** takes her time winding up to throw during the shotput competition. Bottom Left: Seniors **Kesha Johns**, **Carly Mortensen** and **Kylan Loney** talk about their strategy for the next race. Right: Junior **Amanda Hyde** prepares herself for another pull-up in the Ames High weightroom.



"The thing I enjoyed the most about my retirement from running (and joining the weight men) would have to be all of the delicious grill-outs I was able to partake in; however, the one down side to my season was that I never actually threw the shotput in a meet. Practice was fun, though."

- senior **Dan Jones**

"This year was awesome because we got a new coach who knew what was needed to get the job done. Yes, she was tough, but we did find ways of having fun. And the best part of the season was taking 7 girls to conference and coming home with 6 personal bests."

- junior **Valerie Matters**





"It was a really awesome season. The best and most memorable part of my track experience was winning the conference meet two years in a row. That was quite an exciting and memorable experience."

- sophomore Alex Danielson

"Wow! This year was so cool. I really didn't know what to expect; it was a lot of hard work, but it was definitely worth it in the end. I'm just glad I got a chance to have Coach Duea before he retired."

- freshman Kara Drzycimski



Junior Ahad Mujeeb strengthens his abs in the weight room. Lifting weights proved to be valuable for the success of the track season. "I love the weight room. I'm so glad they built the new one a few years ago; it has increased the quality of our team," Mujeeb said.

Senior Micah Juelfs gets some air time during his long jump attempt at an Ames Invite. "I like competing in the long jump. It reminds me of when I used to tear around my backyard and jump into my sand box. I loved diving into the sand box and getting sand and dirt all over me. I thought I was G.I. Joe. Those were the days," Juelfs said.



Senior Greg Payne catches his breath after a race. "We've really learned a lot this year on and off the track: Always follow the warning label on icy hot. The señors this year have worked hard, but we've always kept in mind the importance of having phun," Payne said.

Boys Track

Little Hawk Invite -
Unscored
ISU Invite - Unscored
UNI - Unscored
Ankeny - 1st
Cedar Rapids Invite -
2nd
Valley Invite - 1st
Hi Covey - 2nd
Marshalltown - 1st
Drake Relays -
Unscored
Ames Invite - 1st
Hawk Relays - 1st
Valley Relays - 1st
Conference - 1st
State - 2nd



First Row: Matthew Carr, Matthew Schuldice, Gavin White, Adam DeMarie, Brandon Shaw, Ben Gual, Lincoln Nichols, Jay Quigley, John Obreke, Ben Parker, Levi Nichols, Brandon Pei, Bobby Lion, Vitaly Brand, Franklin Fuller, Adam Huntermark, Seth Jacob-Swanson Second Row: Ben Gerdik, Jason Wang, Brandon Heath, Jay Honeyman, Kyle Bert, Dustin Tenny, Jason Clark, Josh Wagner, Charlie Weber, Luke Chittenden, Beau Knock, Russell Jackson, Eithan Whited, John Bell, Justin Hesser, Dan Jones Third Row: Mike Jones, Eric Thompson, Jacob Hammans, Keith Duffy, Coach John Slatten, Coach Bruce Vertian, Coach Ken Litchfield, Coach Ed Schweiger, Greg Hatt, Brian Foster, Brandon Shaw, Ben Cheney Fourth Row: Matthew Weber, John Koehler, Adam Larson, Matthew Parker, Brian Schanker, Austin Hurt, Daniel Holloway, Trevor Brown, Jeff Russell, Fabian DeKoc, Toby Peters, Kole Agbaje, Lan John, Kyle Rippey, Mitch Shaw Fifth Row: Nick Bessman, Tommy Killiper, Brian Banker, Kevin McCormik, Chris Tery, Alex Domoto, Eric Palmberg, John Myers, Donte Cox, David Hugdaul, Derek Colvin, Brian Anderson, Matthew Knop, Casey Winkleblack Sixth Row: Tyler Clark, Chris Parrish, Ben Erbes, Brandon Toresdahl, Aaron Rosheim, Eric Schmidt, Ryan Loes, Chad Brenner, John Sargent, Greg Payne, Lorenzo Taylor, Micah Juelfs, Brandon Corneliu, Ben Bryden Seventh Row: Nick Larson, Brian Clark, Derik Watson, Alex Danielson, Tom Gallagher, Casey Brown, Eric Bokhoven, Ben Cronin, Michael Miller, Jasper McDonald, Mark Bokhoven, Luke Stigler, Kejing Wang

Girls

Tennis

Regular Season

Ankeny - W

DM East - W

DM Lincoln - W

WDM Dowling - W

WDM Valley - L

Mason City - W

Fort Dodge - W

Marshalltown - W

Newton - W

Carroll Kuemper - W

Regionals

Mason City - W

Marshalltown - W

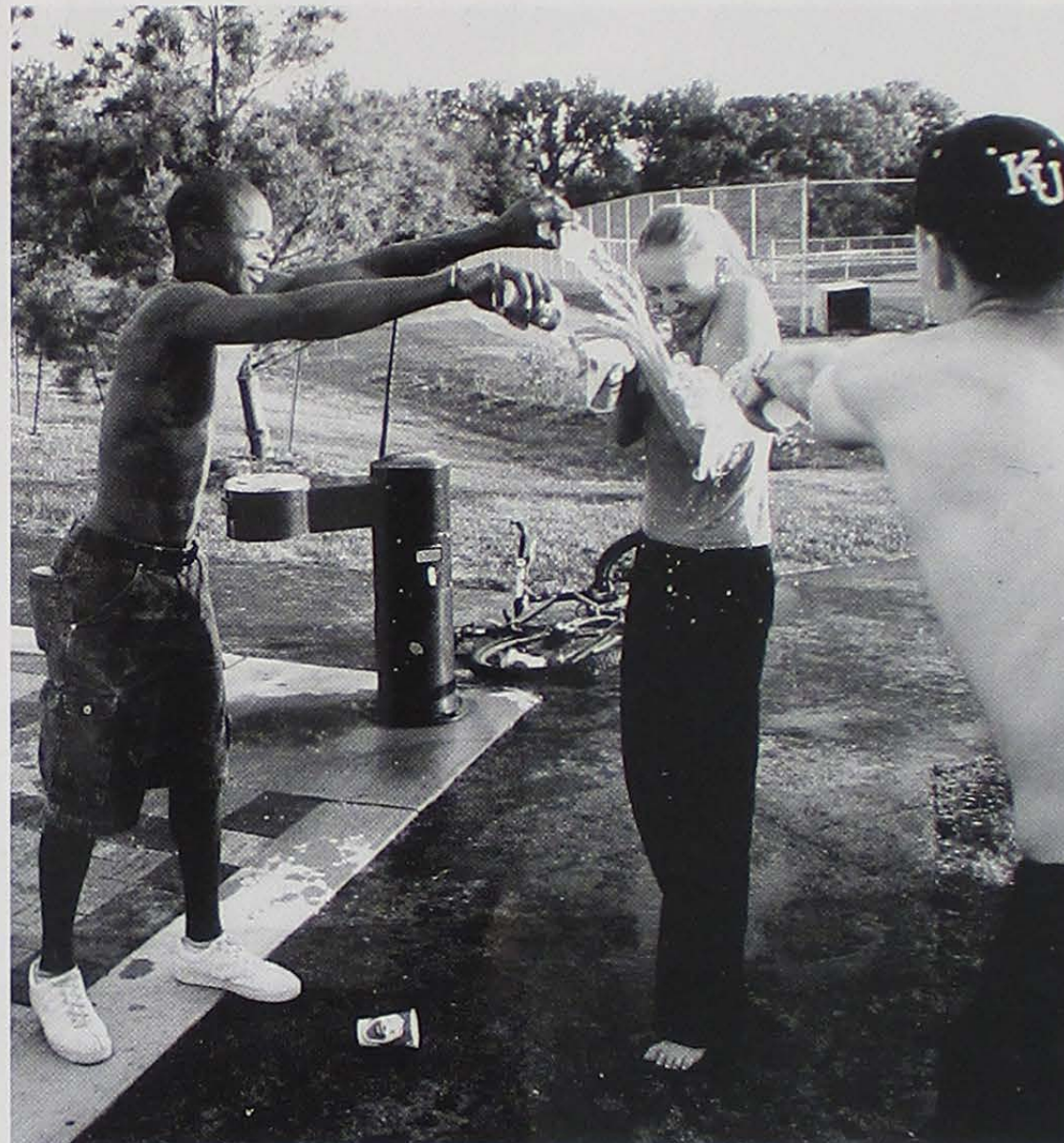
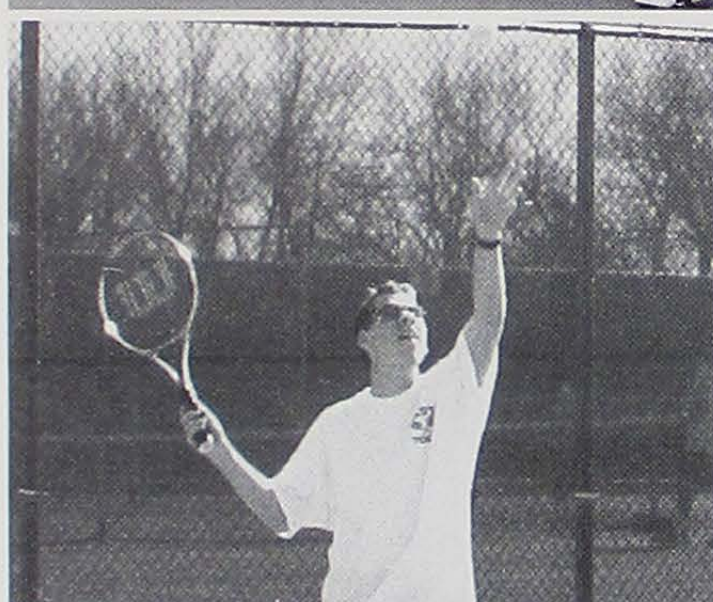
Boone - W

Urbandale - W

State Team Qualifier



First Row: Michelle Rooney, Amanda Yeung, Jennifer Lowry, Katherine Beavers, Shilpa Reddy **Second Row:** Alissa Anderson, Jenny Chung, Sherry Cheuk, Diana Parlade, Mona Dalal, Jessica Lee, Karina Jensen, Raathai Molian, Meggie Wade, Megan Greving, Sara Litwiler **Third Row:** Andrea Otteman, Julie McElroy, Laura Carlyle, Christine Westgate, Sarah Beisser, Coach Len Thiede, Dara Poorman, Amy Chung, Carly Riecken, Pam Le, Amy Bappe, Laura Wilson **Not Pictured:** Lisa Corley and Nora Martin



Top Left: Ames girls tennis state qualifiers: Senior **Laura Carlyle**, senior **Pam Le**, junior **Sarah Beisser**, senior **Karina Jensen**, coach **Len Thiede**, senior **Lisa Corley**, senior **Amy Bappe**, senior **Amy Chung**, junior **Amanda Yeung**. This year was the first time they had qualified since 1997. Middle: Seniors **Lorenzo Taylor**, **Leslie Westgate**, and **Jordan Whalen** cool off after the teacher-student tournament. Bottom Left: Head coach **Warren Lofgren** throws the ball up into the air to serve. Right: Senior **Laura Carlyle** runs onto the court after her serve and prepares for the return.



"We had a great season. We were quite a fun-loving team.

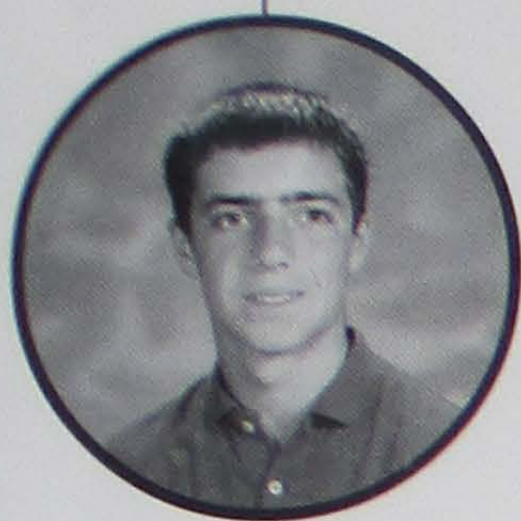
One day we took **Chris Lueth's** car key to copy it so we could move his car around whenever we wanted. We'd take our shirts off sometimes, too. We had really good times in practice enjoying ourselves."

- senior **Brandon Crase**

"One of the great things about this season was that there were a lot of away games. It was cool because they usually got me out of my eighth period class most of the time. Although I did enjoy the class, it was much better to get out of school early."

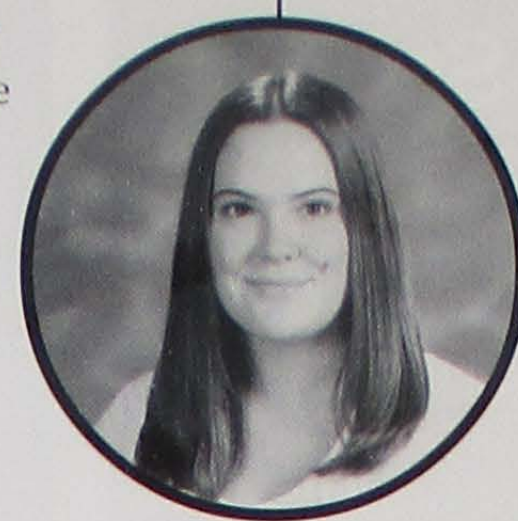
- junior **Dara Poorman**





"It was really cool to have my brother on the team for one last season. We have played tennis together so many times and had so many lessons and camps together, it will be very different next year with him not on the team."

- sophomore **Teddy Nassif**



"This was my first year playing competitive tennis; I was completely terrified in the first match I played in. Going into the season I wasn't looking forward to it that much but by the end I was wishing the season wouldn't end."

- freshman **Carly Riecken**



Senior **Ryan Lott** prepares to return a volley to his opponent during practice. "I prefer the accuracy of slicing a one-handed backhand over the power of a two-handed backhand," Lott said. "Though not as powerful, it forces my opponent to come up with a winner."

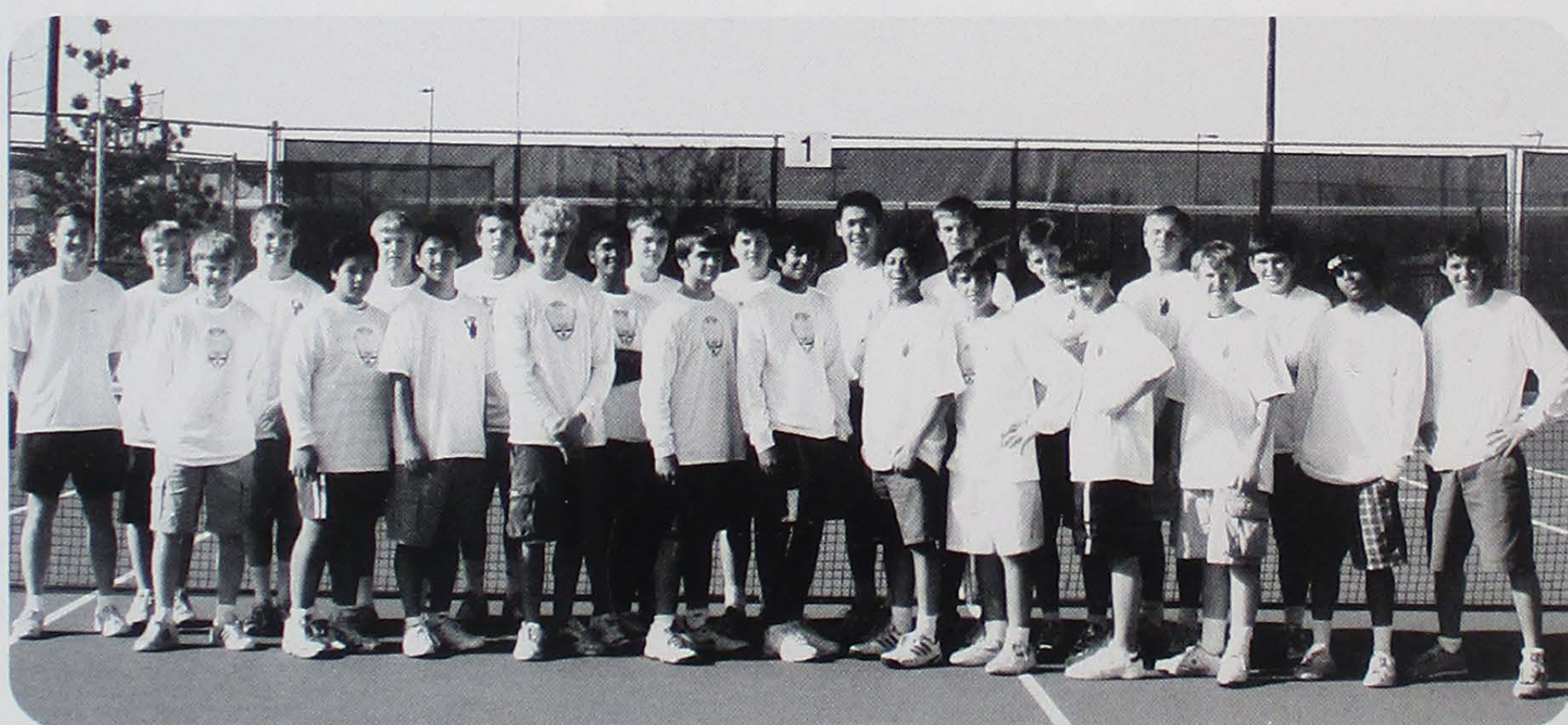
Junior **Evan Herrnstadt** shovels the snow off the court before a spring practice. "Snow is great for sledding and having snowball fights, but it makes tennis practice a pain when you practice outside. We had to shovel the snow off the court every day before we practiced. It's ironic to have to bring mittens and a shovel to a tennis practice," Herrnstadt said.



During a pre-meet practice, senior **Michael Nassif** waits for the tennis ball to reach the perfect height for his serve's maximum speed and power. "Serves are one of the important aspects in tennis. If you have a better serve than your opponent, you'll usually win," Nassif said.

Boys Tennis

Apr 12 Ankeny Away
Apr 14 Bobcat Doubles
Apr 16 Roosevelt Home
Apr 17 East Home
Apr 20 Lincoln Away
Apr 23 Dowling Away
Apr 24 Valley Home
Apr 26 Mason City Home
May 1 Ft Dodge Away
May 4 Marshalltown Home
May 8 Newton Away
May 11 Districts
May 19 Sub-State
May 25 - 29 State



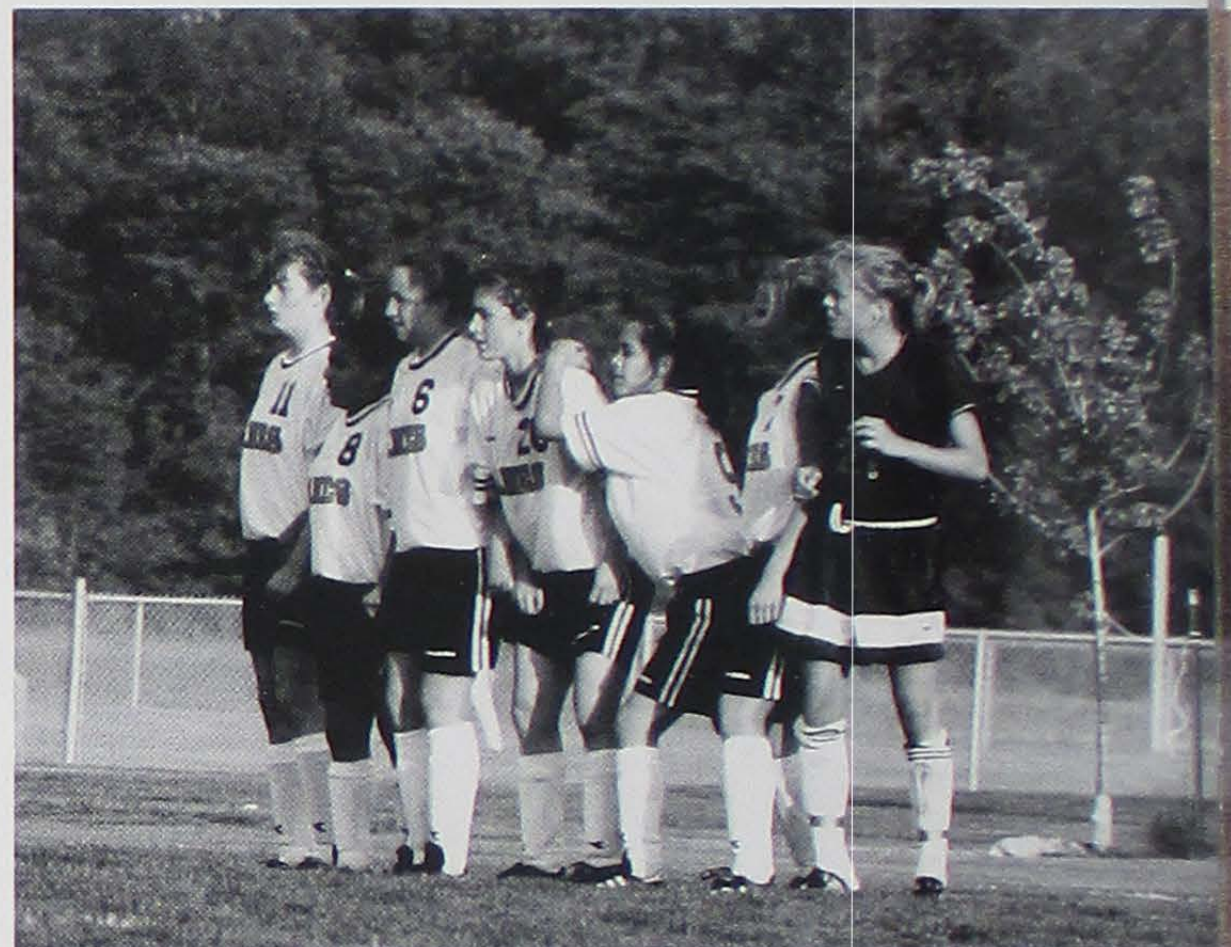
First Row: Andrew Oftedal, Chris Parlade, Willam Shyy, Peter Acker, Michael Nassif, Nevin Sebastian, Milan Dalal, Teddy Nassif, Ryan Guffy, John Chrisinger, Dipayan Mitra, Andrew Cross **Second Row:** Coach Warren Lofgren, Paul Kearney, Mark Norris, Jeff Croyle, Chris Timmons, Eknath Vittal, Sergei Antropov, Joe Dunlay, Mike Shi, Brandon Crase, Aaron Myers, Chris Lueth, Evan Herrnstadt

Girls Soccer

Apr 27 Johnston Home
Apr 30 Ft Dodge Away
May 4 East Away
May 7 Ankeny Home
May 10 Indianola Away
May 15 Roosevelt Home
May 18 Urbandale Away
May 19 Urbandale Away
May 25 Mason City Home
May 30 Marshalltown Home
June 1-2 Gilbert Tourn.
June 5 Netwon Away
June 7 Valley Home
June 8 - 9 CB Tourn.
June 13 - 18 Regionals
June 22 - 23 State



First Row: Sara Larson, Sarah Smart, Valerie Gleason, Morgan Siefert **Second Row:** Nadia Hashemi-Troougi, Amanda Conley, Rachel Marek, Kristin Redmond, Brianna Staff, Nassrene Hashemi-Troougi
Third Row: Sylvia Fanous, Jessica Maher, Kayla Jensen, Erica Takle, Annie Fanous **Fourth Row:** Coach Kenny Graham, Meredith Mull, Rachel Ruggle, Melissa Belz, Stephanie Inglett, Rachel Jones, Laurer Morz



JV SOCCER

First Row: Heather Stairs, Jessica Peiffer, Lindsey Schoenfield, Kristi Wass, Jennifer Yates **Second Row:** Rachel Elliot, Leah Boyd, Chelsea Gard, Theresa Horton, Olga Balema, Megan Ausborn
Third Row: Carolina Nunez, Stacy Strodman, A Platt, Carolyn Wilson, Sherry Cheuk **Fourth Row:** Coach Erica Griesse, Katie Gerbracht, Megan Cross, Kelley Scheppler, Erica Lynn, Julie Slocum

FRESHMAN SOCCER

First Row: Nathaniel Oster, Julian Kassis, Bill Heinen, Ben Ward, Jordan Hushor, Grant Lambi, Michael Gill, John Misra **Second Row:** Manager Diane Wilson, Kai Martin, Kevin Ochieng, Andrew Heiligenthal, Jake Dobberke, Nick Paul, Devin Kelly, Darren Wheeler, Pierre Palo, Kyle Walker **Third Row:** Coach Scott Hagley, Andrew Burgason, Ryan Henriksen, Jake Babcock, Nick DeKovic, Ryan Norlin, Blake Graham, Nathan Rollenhagen, Travis Jones, Manager Kari Lubow, Manager Tyler Bailey



JV SOCCER

First Row: Jamie Craig, Scott Johnson, James Ewald, Tyan Henriksen, Cason Clark, Andrew Burgason **Second Row:** Nate Ward, Dimitri Syrkin-Nikolau, Matthew Duffy, Brent Trevillyan, Alex Alechine, Travis Jones **Third Row:** Bobby Myers, Brian Janke, Reid Stephenson, Trevor Heithoff, Chris Bystrom, Jon Allen, Ankur Amin



Boys

Soccer

Regular Season

East - W
Valley - Tie
Roosevelt - W
Urbandale - L
Johnston - L
Mason City - W
Fort Dodge - W
Newton - W
Valley - L
Marshalltown - L
Dowling - W
Districts
Johnston - W
Ankeny - W
State
Valley - L
Record - 12 - 5 - 1



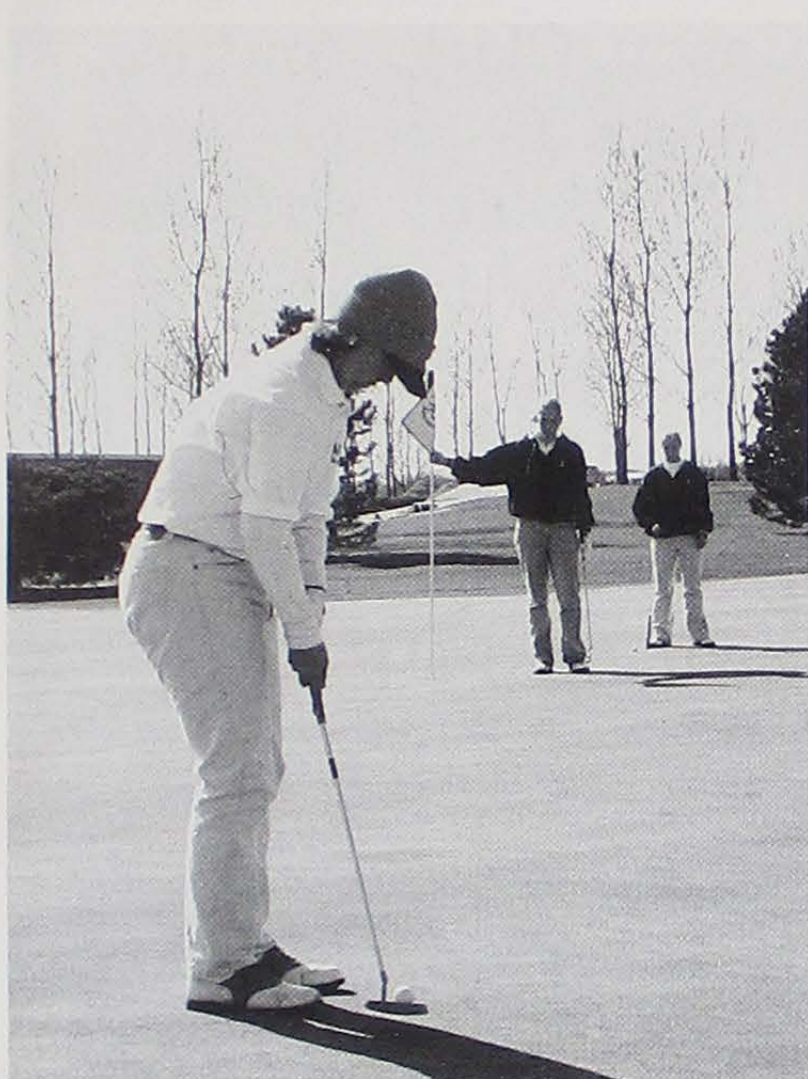
First Row: Chase Winkey, Matt Mowers, Justin McGeeney, Ben Archer, Tamim Mahayni, Andrew Laczniak, Andres Nunez **Second Row:** Basil Mahayni, Ian Ritz, Kyle Berg, Michael Dau, Jeff Block, , Joey Wanzek **Third Row:** Coach Chad Zmolek, Jon Warren, Tyler Cardwell, Michael HeitzmanII, Will Payeur, Evan Sengbusch, Joey Hayes, Derek Larsen, Adam Brown, Coach Jake Neiroda

VARSITY	
Urbandale Invite	1st
Lincoln	W
Ames Invite	1st
Mason City	W
North Invite	1st
Ft. Dodge	W
Marshalltown	L
Ottumwa Invite	1st
Newton-Boone	W
Valley	W
Conference	1st
Valley Classic	1st
Districts	1st
Regionals	1st
State	2nd

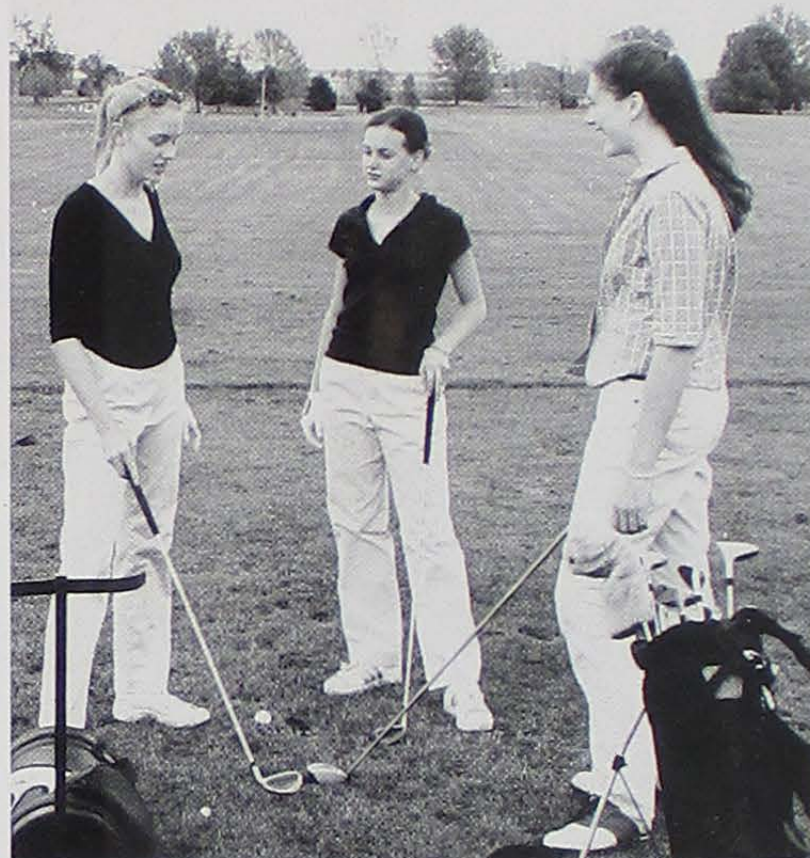
JV
Undefeated
5 Wins - 0 Losses



First Row: Emily Stark, Amanda Doering, Jenny Scoles, Kelli Berg, Heidi Purcell **Second Row:** Lauren Burke, Allison Burke, Elizabeth Wandling, Diane Borcharding, Betsy Huisenga, Suzzane Bretz **Third Row:** Megan Eernisse, Emily Nau, Stephanie Carroll, Alison Buck, Amanda Burke, Amy Swanson, Besty Ziegenbusch, Katie Naeve, Coach Bob Heiberger



Senior **Betsy Zeigenbusch** sinks a 50 foot put on the ninth green for birdie--a highlight of her last season. Ok . . . maybe she two-putted for bogie but on-lookers **Megan Eernisse** and **Katie Naeve** say otherwise--they're all for the glorification of seniors.



Freshmen **Emily Stark**, **Suzanne Bretz** and **Elizabeth Wandling** take a long break during golf practice to catch up on the latest freshman gossip. The JV team often practiced on their own due to the absence of their coach and the Varsity team who traveled to more meets and invitionals. Days such as those allowed the JV team to practice as long as they wanted and to concentrate on any desired area of their game.



The night before State, sophomores **Lauren Burke** and **Amanda Doering**, along with other members of the JV team, "chalked" driveways belonging to the members of the state golf team and Coach Heiberger. Their drawings depicted the girls' predictions of the outcome of the state meet.



"The 2001 season was a real tough one for me--it robbed me of all my hard-earned cash! I must have bought at least 10 DQ Blizzards for all the people to whom I lost putting contests. You might say that my short game is my weakness."

- senior **Megan Eernisse**

"My first goal for this season was to develop a more consistent game--before my scores have fluctuated. As the season moved on, though, my more important goal was to survive van rides with Heiberger--talk about being scared for your life!"

- junior **Besty Huisenga**





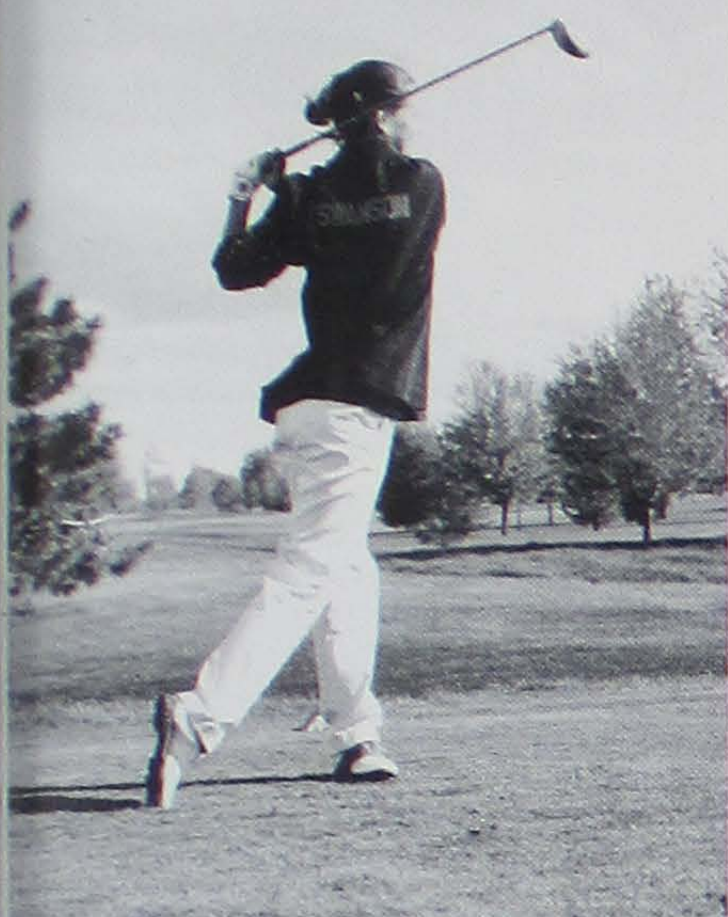
"My biggest laughs came from the long rides in that gross 'light teal' school van with Berger-Hi driving five below the speed limit. Once, a semi passed us on a two lane highway. I also enjoyed competing with my older sister, Amanda, during her last golf season."

- sophomore **Allison Burke**



"Sadly, I didn't play very much this season because a lot of the meets were cancelled due to bad weather which I guess is really typical of girls' golf seasons. I did enjoy spending time with the stupendous seniors--they were awesome role models to look up to."

- freshman **Suzanne Bretz**



Senior **Amy Swanson** sends a beautiful drive down the sixth fairway at the Ames Invitational. As she entered her fourth year of Varsity golf, Swanson's shots and swing were consistently nice looking. "The four other Varsity seniors and I are the closest we've ever been. We all have the same goal: winning State," Swanson said.



The girls' golf team poses with the Marshalltown team after defeating them in the regionals meet. Summing up their four-year rein as the "queens of clubs," seniors **Alison Buck, Amanda Burke, Stephanie Carroll, Emily Nau** and **Amy Swanson** unanimously agree that their toughest competitors were the Marshalltown golfers. "It was a love-hate relationship," Carroll said. "Yeah--we had a ceramic frog we named after their coach, Linda," Nau said. "I loved the Marshalltown girl that I golfed with--she even came to my open house," Burke said.



Advancing past Marshalltown in the regionals, Ames made their second appearance at the state tournament. After placing third in 2000, the team returned with a goal to take it all. Despite **Stephanie Carroll's** phenomenal first-day score of 77 and a decent team score of 341, the seventeen stroke lead that Cedar Rapids Washington took put the girls between a rock and a hard place. They realized it would take close to a miracle to come back on the second day. However, they returned to Jester Park Golf Course with high hopes: it was raining and they knew that nobody could play better in the rain than they could. For five and a half hours they trudged through the all-day rain catching up to within five strokes of the leaders. A second place finish may not have been what they dreamed but as they say, "if you shoot for the moon, you'll still land among the stars."

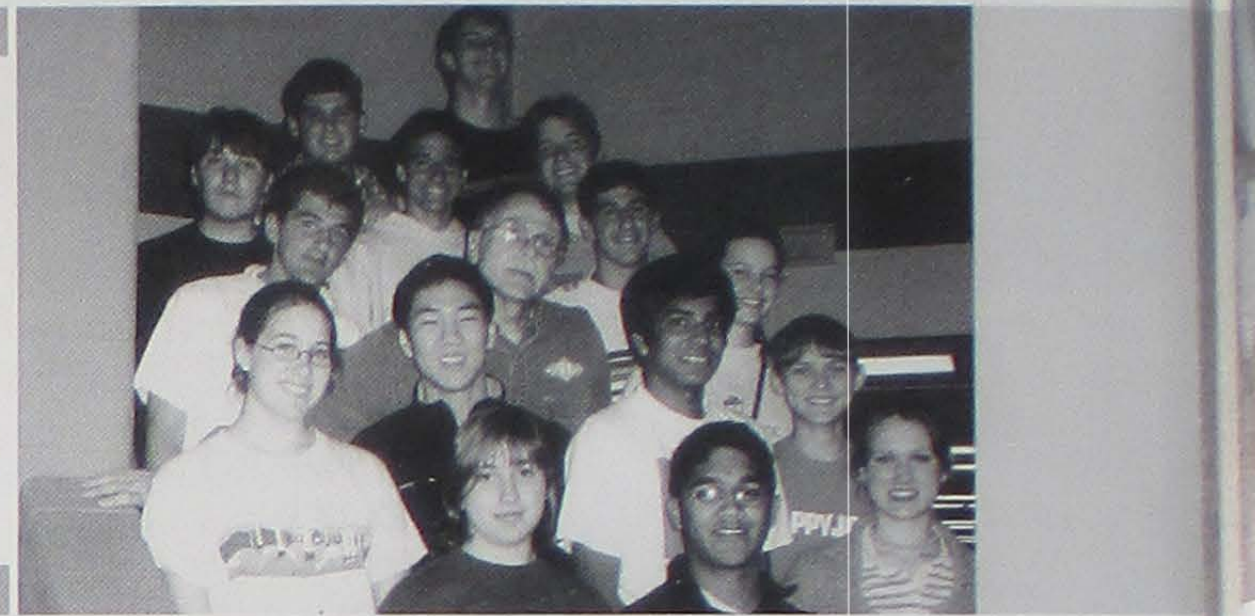
FCA

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AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

First Row: Sara Lapan, Eknath Vittal, Dorota Pruski **Second Row:** Rebekkah Nelson, William Shyy, Nevin Sebastian, Katie Gidlewski **Third Row:** Tamim Mahayni, Advisor Kirk Daddow, Mary Houk **Fourth Row:** Andrew Fowler, Matt Mowers, William Payeur **Fifth Row:** Evan Herrnstadt, Andrew Houk



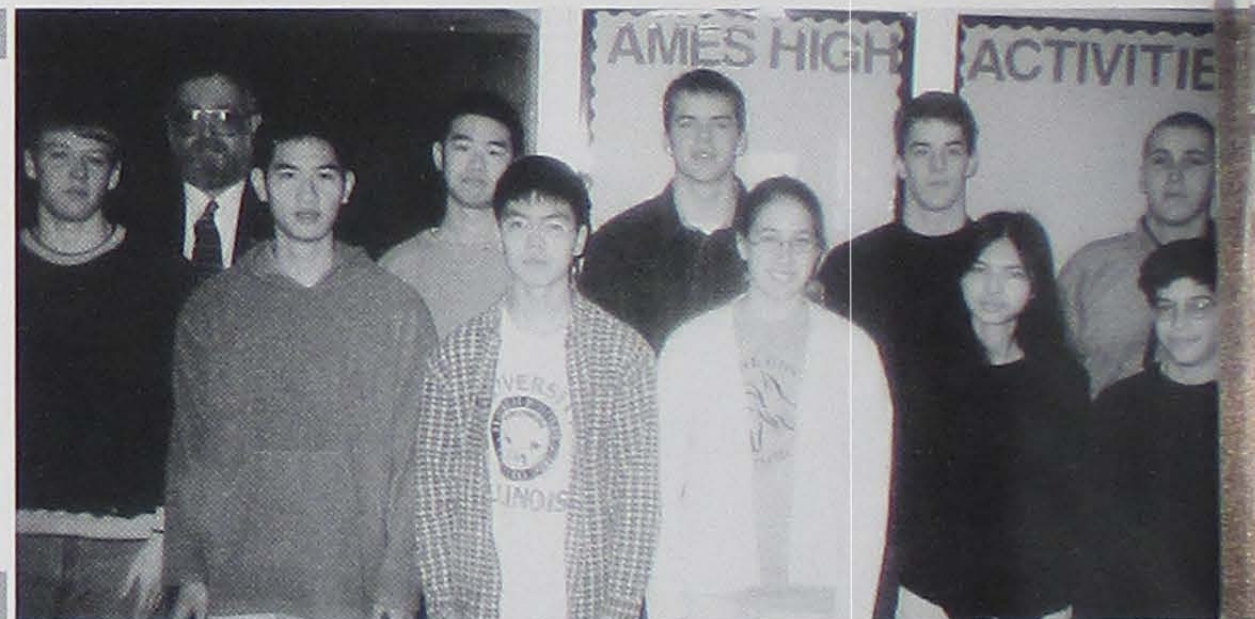
ASTRA

First Row: Kate Pickett, Amy Ditzel, Lori Moorman **Second Row:** Daphne Toben, Beth Bastiaans, Karli Christensen, Kate Bullen, Scott Townsend, Gaila Edwards **Third Row:** Amber Segedi, Mary Kolner, Wendy Wirth, Melanie Olson, Carrie Gatewood



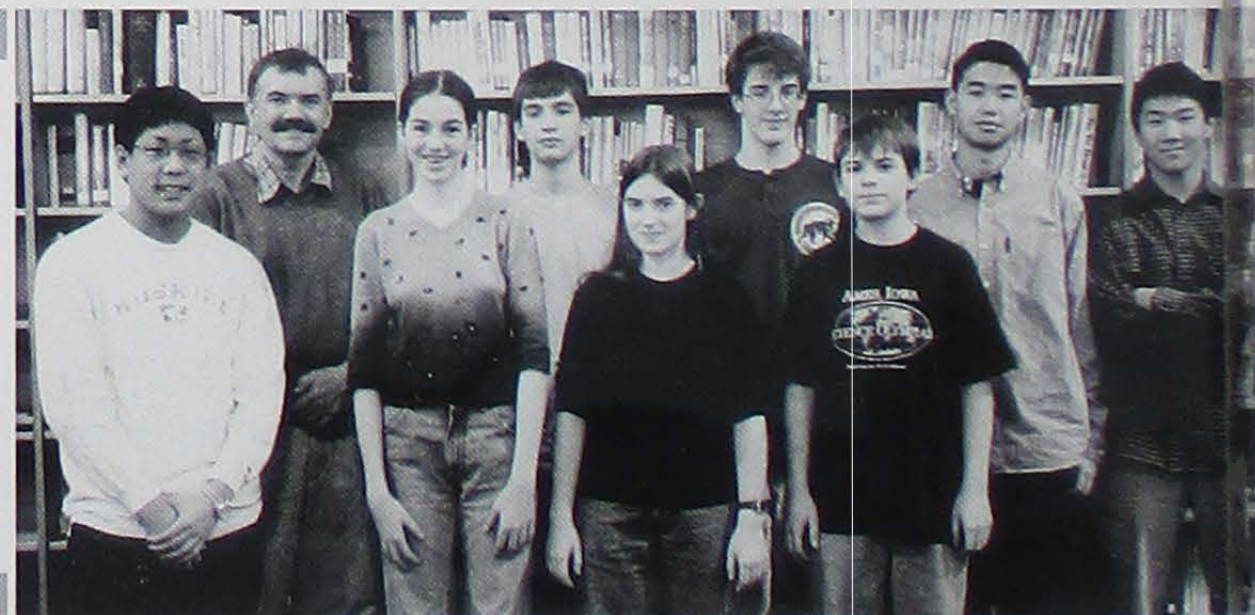
CHESS CLUB

First Row: Jeff Croyle, Daniel Chen, Peter Choi, Rebekkah Nelson, Tuyan Phan, Aviv Luban **Second Row:** Advisor Rodger Gotchell, Kejing Wang, Aaron Rosheim, Geoff Thompson, Michael Kienzler



DEBATE

First Row: Peter Ng, Adrienne Hunacek, Laura Lutz, Neil Lutz **Second Row:** Advisor Leonard Larsen, Martin Jankowiak, Geoff Thompson, Kejing Wang, William Shyy





DECA

First Row: Ester Kindred, Amber Foley, Kristen Wall, Stephanie Swan, Jessica Mehle **Second Row:** Melissa Belz, Jamie Craig, Pamela Le, Leslie Westgate, Shawn Brekke **Third Row:** Josh Staudt, Christina Mandole, Kim Lavallee, Billy Warren, Alecia Britten, Annie Peterson, Emmy Smith, Ashley Sartin, Rachel Hodges **Fourth Row:** Brandon Heath, David Ling, Jacob Hammans, Luke Stigler



SENIOR MENTORS

First Row: Micah Juelfs **Second Row:** Kelley Kunz, Stephanie Girton, Betsy Ziegenbusch, Anna Burgduff, Erica Lynn, Annie Fanous, Alison Buck, Emily Nau, Neha Kothari, Diane Volcko, Elspeth Hagge **Third Row:** Amy Swanson, Becky Heller, Mary June Jackson, Sylvia Fanous, Merideth Morgan, Laura Carlyle, Caitlin Braun, Kathryn Killorn **Fourth Row:** Megan Morrow, Annie Legg, Erin Martin, Laura Wilson, Christine Dickson, Jordan Whalen, Stephanie Inglett, Abby Van Maaren, Elizabeth Talbert, Sarah White, Julie Song, Ann Benson, Amanda Parker, Shannon Holt **Fifth Row:** David Melby, Mitchell Ridnour, Jamie DenAdel, Brian Clark, Peter Ringlee, Brian Anderson, Brandon Crase, Amy Pavlik, Roya Ijadi-Maghsoodi, Christa Miller **Sixth Row:** Adam Shaull, Peter Acker, Derek Watson, Chris Parish, Brian Grove, Megan Eernisse, Amy Mekemson **Seventh Row:** Aaron Rosheim, Kejing Wang **Not Pictured:** Amy Chung



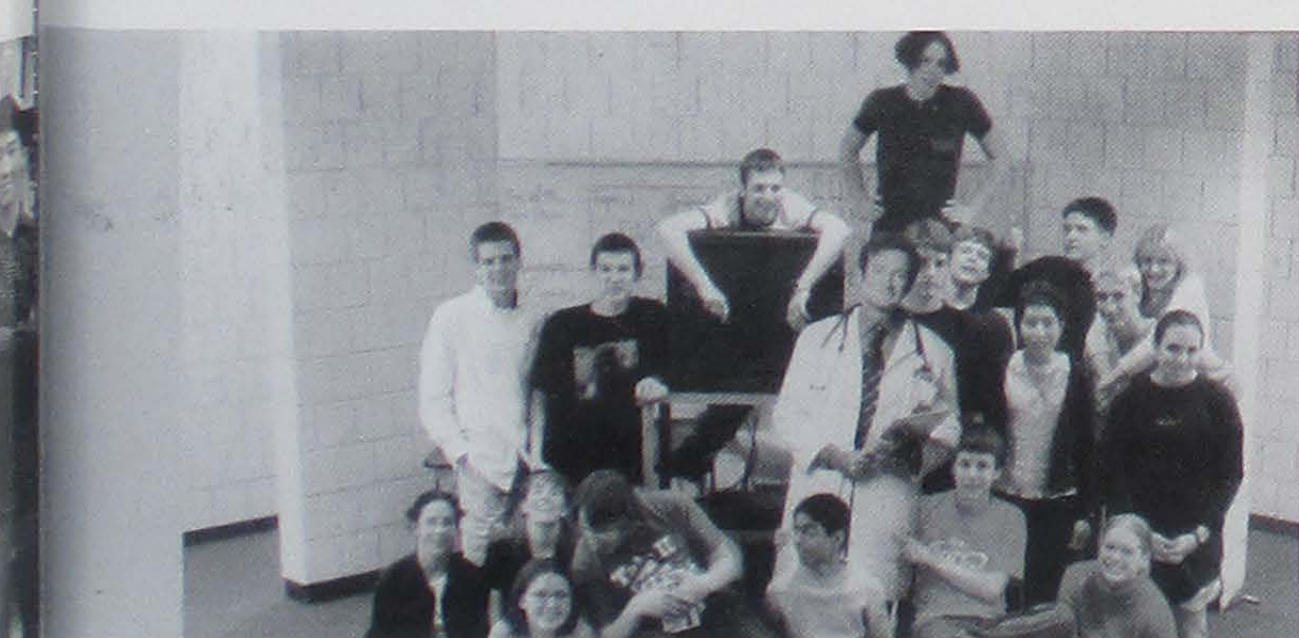
KEY CLUB

First Row: Marc Life, Lavonne McRoberts, Heather Stairs, Linor Vaknin, Sara Tamashunas **Second Row:** Michael Shi, Sherry Cheuk, Shilpa Reddy, Megan Doering, Amanda Hyde **Third Row:** Laura Carlyle, Jody Tarbox, Amanda Yeung



MOCK TRIAL

First Row: Melanie Torrie, Emily Nau, William Shy, Peter Ng, Shilpa Reddy **Second Row:** Kejing Wang, Jim VanFleet, Martin Jankowick, Steven Anderson, Trisha Larson, Shawna Simpson, Nicole Clark **Third Row:** Lenna Olson, Kristen Noack, Neha Kothari



MOVIE CLUB

First Row: Meagan Dilks, Andrea Vos, Mindy Sargent, Devin Walker, Piyush Patel, Nate Logsdon, Molly Schram **Second Row:** Robin Williams, Jessica Pfeiffer, Katie Adams **Third Row:** Andrew Jordan, Daniel Krumm, David Madsen, Steven Diesburg, Geoff Thompson, Erik Palmberg, Jim VanFleet, John Saxton, Heather Berg.

PHILOSOPHY CLUB

First Row: Bradley Gilbert, Joshua Robinson, Tom Gartin **Second Row:** Adam Rowing, Mark Jacobson, Gregory Bonett, Dan Sherman, Nate Logsdon **Third Row:** Steven Diesburg



100TH GREEN BUTTERFLY

First Row: Jessica Peiffer, Maria Misa, Rebekkah Nelson, Jessica Saikaly, Milana Richardson, Katherine Beavers, Anna Jackson **Second Row:** Doug Choi, Anna Zimmerman, Emilyn Larsen-Feree, Sara Lapan, Elizabeth Cavanaugh **Third Row:** Rebecca Raab, Clair Miller, Stephanie Nelson, Stephanie Jones, Beth Bastiaans



SENIOR GIRLS CLUB

First Row: Advisor Lilith Dorr **Second Row:** Lisa Corley, Jessica Kinyon **Third Row:** Annie Fanous, Amanda Parker, Kimberly Schuh, Christine Dickson, Heather Lowman, Lindsay Erickson, Sylvia Fanous **Fourth Row:** Mattea Wayne, Rachel Tapper, Ann Benson, Roya Maghsoodi, Laura Obrycki, Alison Buck, Chelsea Fitch **Fifth Row:** Christa Miller, Melissa Shill



SPEECH CLUB

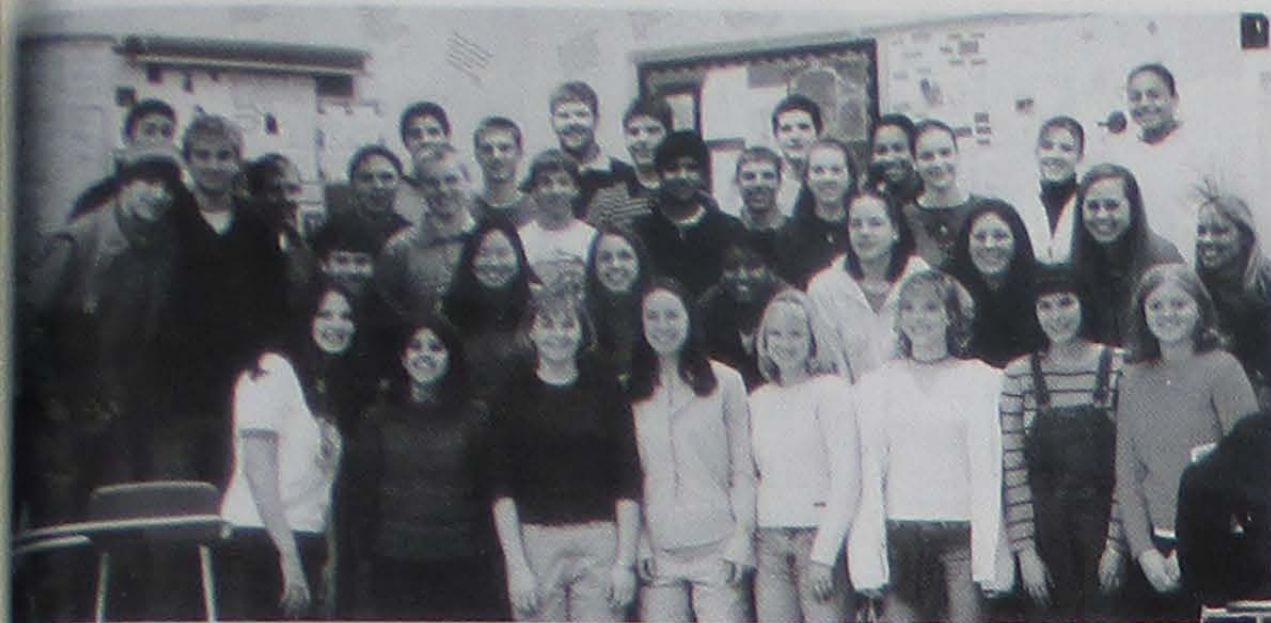
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STRATEGIC GAMES CLUB

First Row: Joey Hayes, Leonard Larson **Second Row:** Vinayak Vittal, Peter Ng, Kejing Wang, Keith Duffy, Peter Ringlee, Jeff Hageman, Jacob Hammans **Third Row:** Martin Jankowiak, Matt Duffy, Jake Dunshee, Daniel Wandling, Patrick McConnell, Thomas Kiliper





STUDENT COUNCIL

First Row: Sarah White, Mona Dalal, Jacklyn McEachran, Emily Tuttle, Ashley Wilson, Caitlyn Knuth, Daneille Cornwell, Meridith Mull **Second Row:** Ryan Guffy, Jessica Lee, Jennifer Lowery, Latisha Myers, Hedi Grove, Kathy Comptom, Heather Johnson, Sara Simmons **Third Row:** Greg Payne, Peter Acker, Andrew Goedeken, Jon Russel, Justin Hesel, Justin McGeeney, Nevin Sebastain, Adam Rowings, Sarah Beisser, Emily Nau, Erica Lynn **Fourth Row:** Mitchell Ridnour, Jim VanFleet, Brandon Crase, Brian Clark, Daniel Wandling, Thomas White, Erin Martin, Sylvia Fanous



LIGHT & SOUND CREW

First Row: Ben Woline, Thomas White, Jennifer Hendrickson, Rachel Lange, Emily Horn, Jim Van Fleet, Cal Osmundson



TERPSICHORE

Choreographers: Jessica Kinyon, Meg Johnson, Anat Shinar, Elizabeth Talbert, Emily Nau, Evan Rothmayer, Ana Jackson, Mary June Jackson, Elizabeth Gillot, Kara Johnson, Anna Savikhin

At Left: Monica Peterson practices for an upcoming performance



YARC

First Row: Adam Christy, Chad Baker, Lauren Alexander **Second Row:** Brandon Harris, Lindsey Coady, Emily Ertz, Stephanie Swan, Clint Messina **Third Row:** Diana O'Riley, Britt Messina, Michael Brown, Crystal Mathews, Jenni Wolf



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

First Row: Chad Baker, Manager Stephanie Swan, Diana O'Riley, Jenni Wulf, Crystal Matthews **Second Row:** Clint Messina, Brandon Harris, Britt Messina, Manager Rachel Teas, Craig Danks, Kurt Schumacher, Coach Hilary Ziebold

SPIRIT

First Row: Julie Prindle, Melisse Owen, Ann Benson, Julie Song, Amy Mekemson **Second Row:** Advisor James Webb, Amanda Hopper, Jennifer Alexander, Susana Goldman, Nick Meyer **Third Row:** Greg Payne, Amanda Burke, Caitlin Clark, Allison Burke, Stephanie Brunia, Rita Carter



VICA

First Row: Chris Terry, Michael Young, James Ewald, Josh Robinson **Second Row:** Walter Dowling, Jonathan Allen, Jeff Metzger, Brandon Rude **Third Row:** Luke Lodermeier, Greg Payne, Scott Jenison, Jonathan Hapke



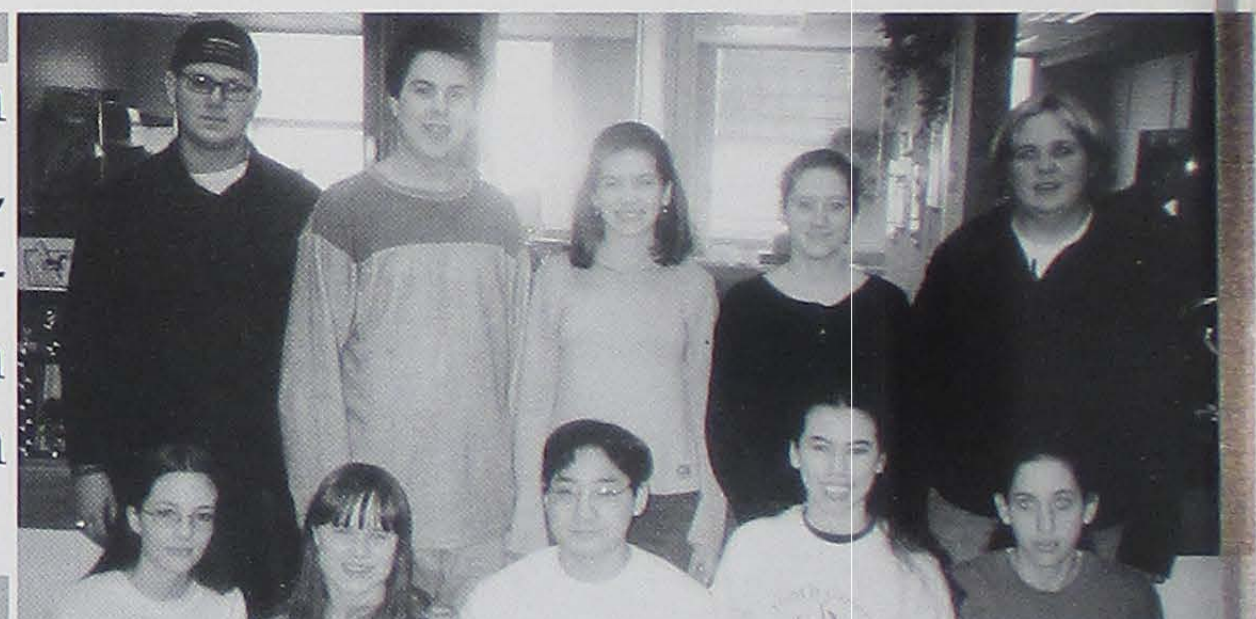
WEB

First Row: Valerie Gleason, Anna Steele, Shilpa Reddy, Lisa Corley, Amanda Yeung, Jon Russel, Jon Dobbs, Mitchell Ridnour **Second Row:** Emily Polich, Mara Wendel, Megan Maher, Meg Johnson, Aaron Myers, Nevin Sebastain, Evan Herrnsstadt **Third Row:** Nicholas Redmond, Jordan Whalen, Chris Parrish, Anthony Borich, Erica Lynn, Peter Acker, Advisor Darin Johnson



SPECTRUM

First Row: Anna Zimmerman, Beth Bastiaans, Doug Choi, Anna Jackson, Kristen McKiernan **Second Row:** Andrew Lamont, Matt Secrist, Amelia Koford, Emilyn Larsen-Feree, Sarah Lasley



HOME PAGE CLUB

First Row: Advisor Katherine Serby, Meridith Morgan, Anya Savikhin, Milana Richardson, Margaret Larabee **Second Row:** Nick Meyer, Erik Bright, Geoff Thompson, John Rearick, Tim Erbes





FRESHMAN CHOIR

First Row: Ashleigh Ward, Emily Tuttle, Stephanie Jarnagin, Melinda Heitzman, Ronna Belz **Second Row:** Anu Biswas, Keighley Fowler, Sarah Gaunt, Rachel Kapke, Kristen Russell, Kai Martin, Nathaniel Oster, James Roach, Nicholas Kluesner, Andrew Turner, Jon Robinson, Laura Pospisil, Robin Bullock, Ashley Ward, Bethany Wagner, Jackie Brannan, Britta Larson, Alicia Martin **Third Row:** Meghan Dilks, Erin Thatcher, Emily Shehorn, Laura Johnson, Samantha Davis, Cassandra McConkey, Adam Kindred, Bradley Peterson, Trevor Burge, Ben Ward, Oliver Keeling, David Gustafson, Tommy Chan, Farah Jounar, Meredith Scanes, Maureen Peterson, Sarah Freeman, Caitlyn Knuth, Petra Salazar, Carmen Elliot **Fourth Row:** Sarah Bohn, Sarah Hansen, Lissa Catus, Ashley Harding, Rachel Endreland, Emilee McMillen, Christen Berg, Andrew Lamont, Matthew Secrist, William Woods, Ben Montour, James Schnable, Elizabeth Shehorn, Kari Lubow, Diane Wilson, Hannah Rothmayer, LeeAnna Olson, Veronica Hindt, Christina McClelland, Debra Borcharding, Michele Black, Emma Bryant, Laura Schoelkoph



CONCERT CHOIR

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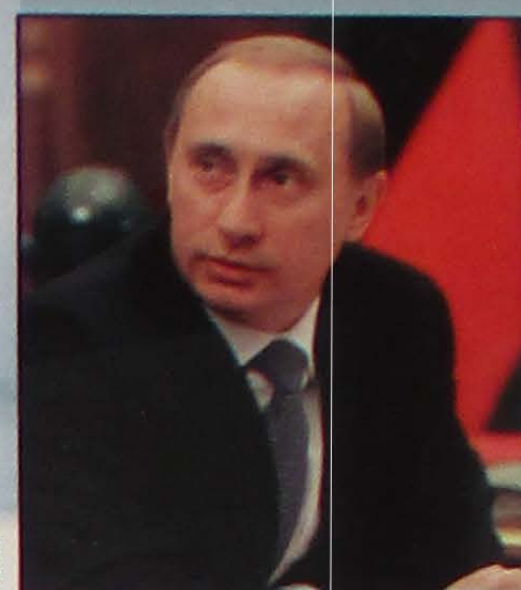


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▲ Gas prices soar across Europe. Heavy taxation policies in France and England cause massive protests and transportation blockades. Both governments eventually promise relief.

✓ The Millennium Bridge, a footbridge across the River Thames connecting London's St. Paul Cathedral with the Tate Modern Art Gallery, opens in June. It is the first bridge to be built over the Thames in 100 years.



▲ Former KGB agent Vladimir Putin is sworn into office as Russia's new president in May 2000, succeeding long-time leader Boris Yeltsin. Despite fears of an authoritarian style, Putin's public approval ratings remain high.



▲ Floods in Southeast Asia are caused by days of pounding rain. Millions are forced to leave their homes and more than a thousand people die in the region's worst flooding in decades.



▲ President Clinton travels to Southeast Asia in November to help mend relations between the United States and Vietnam. He is the first U.S. president to visit Vietnam since the end of the war in 1975.



▲ A cable car carrying skiers and snowboarders in Austria catches fire inside a tunnel, killing more than 150 people on board. It is the worst Alpine disaster in the country's history.



▲ Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic is ousted from office in October, ending 13 years of violent rule. Vojislav Kostunica becomes Yugoslavia's first democratically elected president.



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▲ Australian street artists called "Strange Fruit" perform gravity-defying feats around the world. The performers float above the audience on 15-foot fiberglass poles.

President Clinton makes a last-ditch effort to broker a Middle East peace deal before his term ends in January 2001 by drafting a plan for leaders of both Israel and Palestine to review. Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian Yasser Arafat agree to review Clinton's proposal, but no deal is signed before month's end.

A Singapore Airlines jumbo jet crashes during takeoff in Taiwan, killing 81 of the 179 people on board. In a blinding rainstorm the pilot uses the wrong runway and collides with construction equipment.



▲ Canada mourns the death of former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, who served the country for nearly 16 years. Trudeau, who was 80, is remembered for his flamboyant style and his commitment to keeping Canada a single nation.



AFP/Corbis

▲ Two hundred North and South Koreans separated from family members since the 1950-1953 Korean war reunite in August. The four-day visits are a goodwill gesture by both countries' leaders, who met for the first time in June.

✓ In August, the Russian nuclear submarine *Kursk* sinks to the bottom of the Barents Sea after an unexplained explosion. All 118 crew members are killed.



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AIDS reaches epidemic proportions in southern Africa. Leaders and citizens throughout the world conduct a massive educational campaign on World AIDS Day December 1 to teach people about the disease that is killing 6,000 sub-Saharan Africans each day.

Uganda is struck by an occurrence of the deadly Ebola virus that is linked to more than 100 deaths. The outbreak is traced to a Gulu woman who died in September and whose body infected other people during the ritual cleansing of the dead.



AP/Wide World Photos

▲ In January 2001, a 7.9 magnitude earthquake devastates Gujarat in western India. The huge quake causes an estimated \$5.5 billion in damages and kills more than 20,000 people.



Tyler Hicks/Liaison

▲ In August, Somalia elects its first president in nine years. President Abdiqasim Salad Hassan promises to bring peace and economic recovery to the African nation.



Wesley Bockel/Liaison

▲ Former Coca-Cola executive Vicente Fox, of the National Action Party, is elected president of Mexico in July, ending the Institutional Revolutionary Party's 71-year reign.



Reuters/Jim Bourg/Archive Photos

▲ More than 150 world leaders meet at the U.N. Millennium Summit in September to discuss war, poverty, disease and other global problems. The meeting is the largest gathering of world leaders in history.



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▲ In July, an Air France Concorde supersonic jet catches fire and crashes outside Paris, killing 113 people. The crash is blamed on metal debris which punctured the tires and damaged the fuel tanks.

✓ The worst wave of Middle Eastern violence in years erupts between Israelis and Palestinians, leaving more than 350 dead. A visit by Israeli opposition leader Ariel Sharon to a Jerusalem holy site on September 28 is claimed to have sparked the fighting.



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Missoulain, Michael Gallacher/AP/Wide World Photos



▲ In the worst forest fire season in 50 years, more than 20,000 firefighters battle blazes in the western United States. More than 80 major wildfires burn across 13 states, forcing hundreds of people to leave their homes.

✓ The U.S. Senate passes the Permanent Normal Trade Relations bill in September to open up trade between the United States and China. The bill is expected to increase U.S. exports by \$13 billion annually.



▲ Firestone initiates the largest tire recall in history after dozens of rollover accidents appear to be caused by faulty treads. At least 148 deaths in the United States are linked to the defective tires, although other problems with sport utility vehicles also are under investigation.



David Young-Wolff/PhotoEdit

▲ Summer air travelers wait out some of the worst flight delays on record. Bad weather and heavy air traffic cause delays that reach a peak in June, when only 66% of the flights arrive on time.



Joe Raedle/Newsphoto/Liaison

▲ Illegal downloading and missing computer tapes threaten the security of the Los Alamos nuclear weapons lab in New Mexico. Several workers at the lab are penalized for mishandling nuclear secrets.



LM Otero/AP/Wide World Photos

▲ The Women's Museum: An Institute for the Future opens in September in Dallas. The museum profiles 3,000 remarkable American women and features more than 20 interactive exhibits.



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▲ Many brands of taco shells and corn chips are pulled from store shelves and restaurants after a consumer group detects traces of genetically modified corn not approved for human consumption.

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◀ Convicted of monopoly practices in the software industry, Microsoft Corporation is ordered by a federal district judge in June to break into two separate companies. Company chairman Bill Gates files for an appeal.

A wave of Internet startup companies, once the darlings of the online economy, file for bankruptcy after falling short of stockholders' earnings expectations. The NASDAQ stock exchange, where most dot-coms are traded, loses 39% of its value for the year.

Millions of Californians go for hours without power in January 2001 as utility companies cut off electrical supply due to low reserves. The crisis, blamed on aging generating plants, deregulation, soaring wholesale prices and debt-ridden utilities, spurs other states to begin devising prevention plans.



Cynthia Johnson/Liaison

▲ The Oklahoma City National Memorial is unveiled in April 2000. The memorial is built to honor the 168 people who died in the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

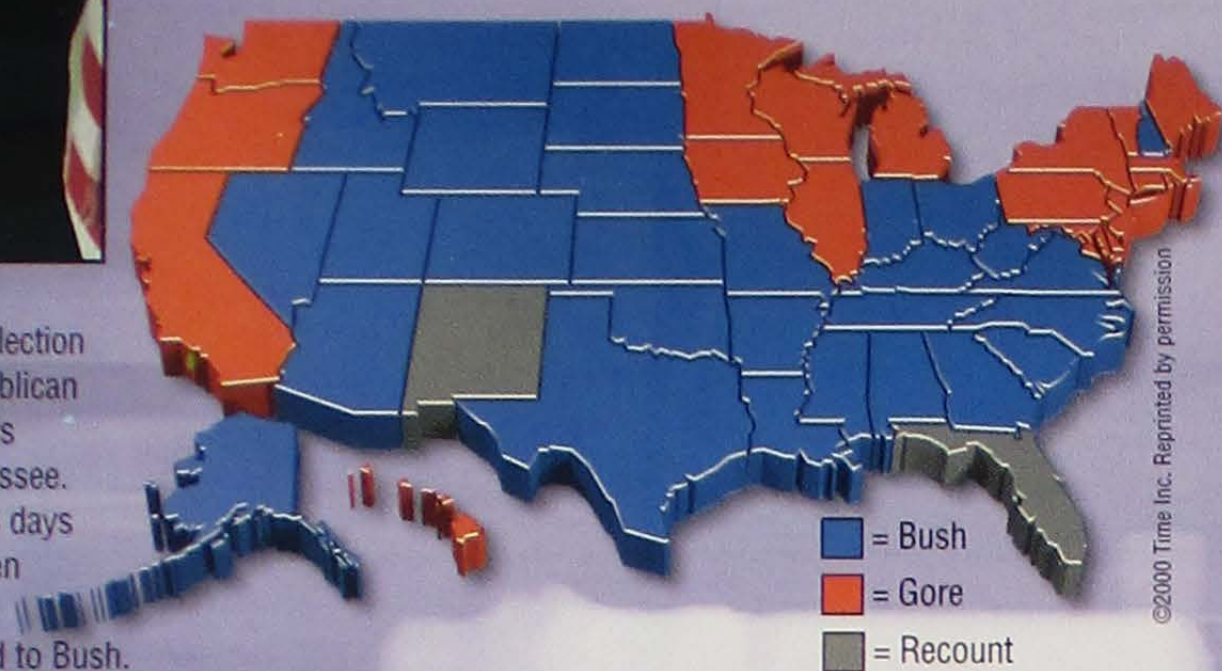


Ann Sargent/AP/Wide World Photos



▲ In the closest presidential election in more than 100 years, Republican George W. Bush of Texas beats Democrat Al Gore from Tennessee. The race isn't decided until 36 days after the popular election, when Florida's hotly contested 25 electoral votes are awarded to Bush.

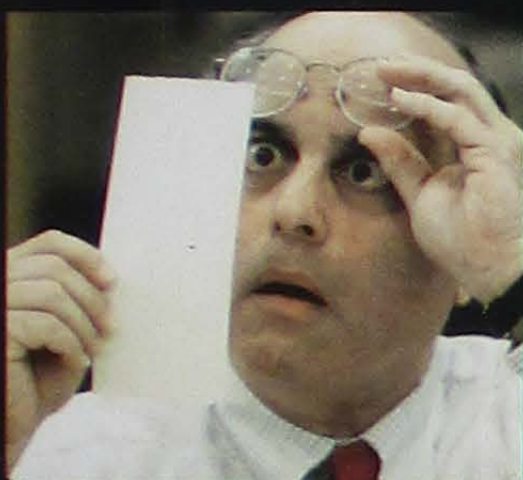
✓ On December 4, 2000, the U.S. presidency remains in limbo as both Florida and New Mexico officials recount ballots to determine who will win their state's electoral votes. New Mexico goes to Gore. Ultimately, Bush wins Florida which gives him a narrow victory.



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On election night, several TV networks prematurely declare Al Gore the winner in Florida, only later to reverse themselves, twice. The fiasco confirms many Americans' distrust of polling and early "calling" of elections.

In one of his first duties as President-elect, George W. Bush nominates Colin Powell to be Secretary of State. The four-star Army General becomes the first African-American in history to serve in this role.



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▲ Chads, dimpled chads and butterfly ballots become common terms during the election as Florida officials assess voter intent. The confusion generates national discussion for uniform methods of voting.



Mark Wilson/Newsweek/Liaison Agency

▲ The U.S. Supreme Court casts the deciding vote in the nation's election. The court ends the Gore-Bush legal battles in Florida by stopping all recounting, an action that effectively gives Bush victory.



AFP/Corbis

▲ In a fiery and highly publicized political battle, Hillary Rodham Clinton beats Republican Rick Lazio decisively to become senator from New York. She is the first first lady to be elected to public office.



Dean Curtis/Liaison Agency

▲ Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan is elected to the Senate days after he dies in a November plane crash. His widow, Jean Carnahan, agrees to serve as senator in his place.



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▲ In October, the USS Cole is bombed while refueling in Yemen. A number of terrorist groups are suspected of the blast that kills 17 sailors and injures 39.

✓ The Federal Trade Commission charges the film, recording and video-game industries with marketing violent and adult-rated materials to teens. The entertainment giants are requested to stop the practice or face legal intervention.



Robert Toppett/SIPA



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▲ In August, a mile-wide patch of open water is spotted at the North Pole, dramatizing concerns about global warming.

✓ Walkie-talkies make a comeback as an economical alternative to cell phones. The new generation talkies come in wild styles and have a range of two or more miles.



NASA/AP/Wide World Photos

▲ New photos of fiery streams of gas that can reach 300,000 miles high may explain why the sun's atmosphere is hotter than its surface.



www.stephenking.com

▲ In July, Stephen King shakes up the publishing world by releasing one of the first online books, *The Plant*. More than 150,000 copies are downloaded the first week at \$1 per chapter.



NYT Pictures

▲ In a Guatemalan jungle, archeologists uncover remains of an ancient Mayan palace. Bigger than two football fields, the palace is one of the largest ever discovered.



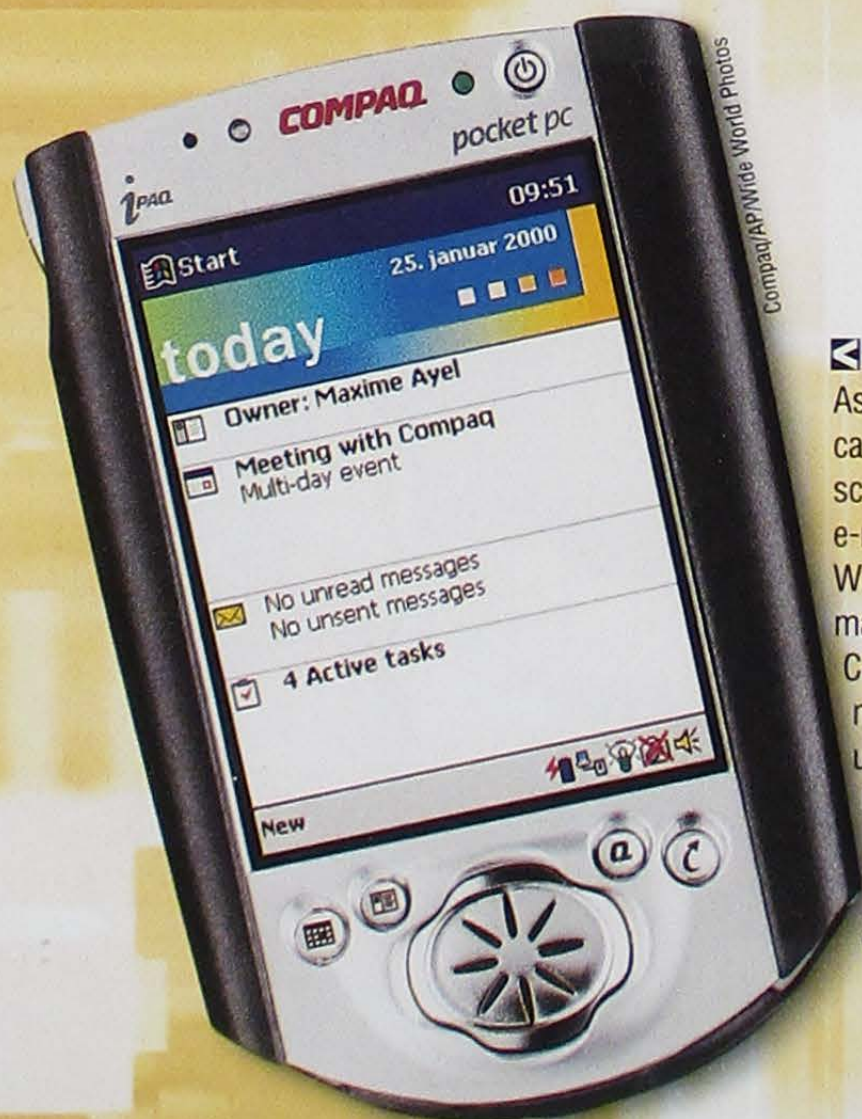
Mark Lemihan/AP/Wide World Photos

▲ Internet appliances that provide surfing and e-mailing capabilities make their way to homes and schools. The devices offer less expensive Internet access to consumers without home computers.



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▲ In 2000, more than 200 animal species join the Iberian Lynx on the World Conservation Union's List of Threatened Species. Their addition brings the world total to 11,046 plants and animals having threatened status.



Compaq/AP/Wide World Photos

✎ Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) capable of calendar scheduling, note taking, e-mailing, phoning and Web browsing go mainstream in 2000. Competition among manufacturers heats up with Microsoft, BlackBerry, Palm and other brands vying for shares of the teen and business markets.

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Paleontologists identify a new species of dinosaur from fossils found in northern Italy. The 26-foot-long, meat-eating *Saltriosaur* is one of the world's oldest dinosaurs, dating back 200 million years.

Scientists are forced to rethink the traditional definitions of a star and planet when 18 massive planet-like bodies that don't revolve around a sun are discovered in the Sigma Orionis cluster.



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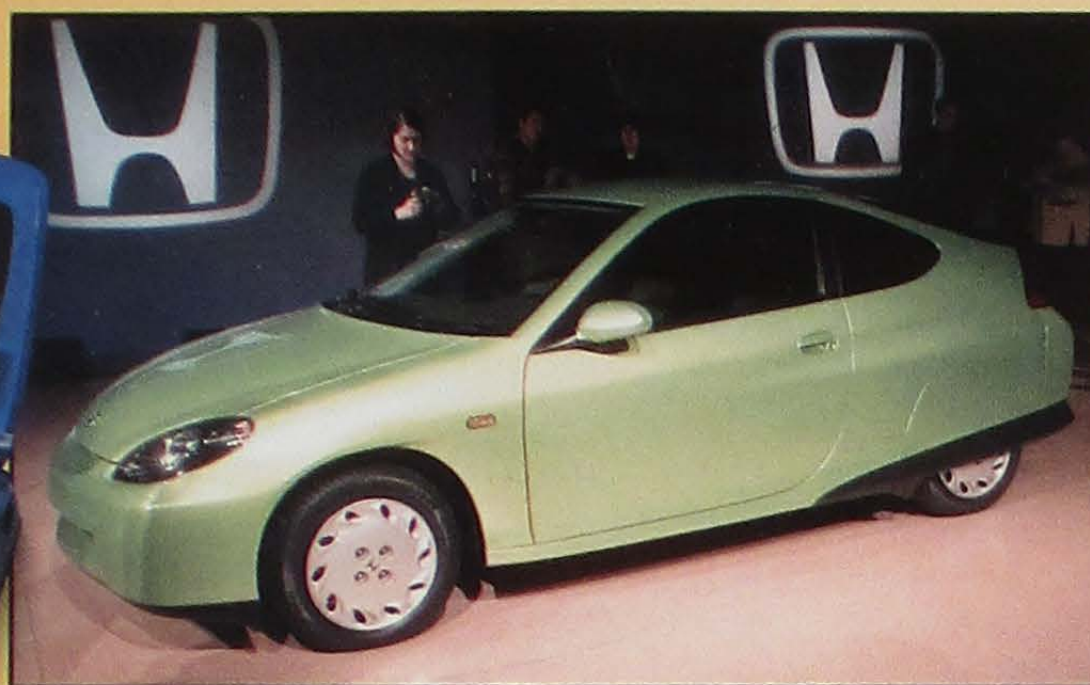
▲ Final touches are made to the International Space Station for its first residents. American astronaut Bill Shepherd and two Russian cosmonauts live on the space station for four months starting in November.



✓ Wireless devices that send real-time personal messages between users become the latest communication craze. The "instant messages" can be typed, written or spoken, depending on the brand, and devices cost less than \$100.



✓ In 2000, both Honda and Toyota launch gas-electric hybrid cars. Operated by a battery-powered electric motor and a gas-run engine, the hybrids get up to 70 miles per gallon on the highway and release minimal emissions.



Carloso Osorio/AP/Wide World Photos

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New Internet domain names are created to lessen the load on the old .com standard. The new names, slated for use in mid-2001, include .info for general use, .biz for businesses, .name for individuals and .pro for professionals.

Scientists complete a rough "map" of the genetic code that makes a person human. The map will aid in the detection and prevention of cancer and other illnesses.

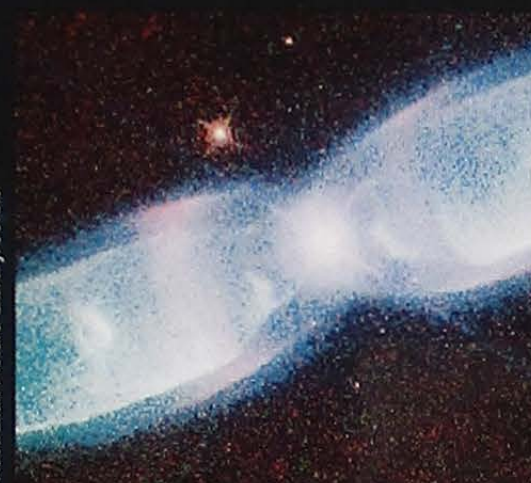


▲ PlanetPortal unveils the WebRemote, a remote built for use with the Internet. Users can surf their favorite sites at the touch of a button instead of keying addresses or scrolling a list of bookmarked pages.



Australian Picture Library/Corbis

▲ Scientists discover an ancient standing lizard fossil in a German quarry, suggesting that dinosaurs may not have been the first creatures to walk upright.



NASA

▲ The Hubble Space Telescope shows never-before-seen details of a "cosmic butterfly," material ejected by a star in the later stages of its life.



Brandeis University

▲ Computer scientists at Brandeis University make a robot that can design and build other robots with minimal help from humans.

Stephen J. Boitano/AP/Wide World Photos



▲ Amtrak introduces the nation's first high-speed train in November. The "Acela Express" travels up to 150 miles per hour and runs between Washington, D.C., New York and Boston, with other routes planned for coming years.

✓ Apple Computer unveils its new G4 Cube computer in July. The 8-inch crystalline cube is commended for its small size, high speed, low noise level, touch-sensitive power activation and padless optical mouse.

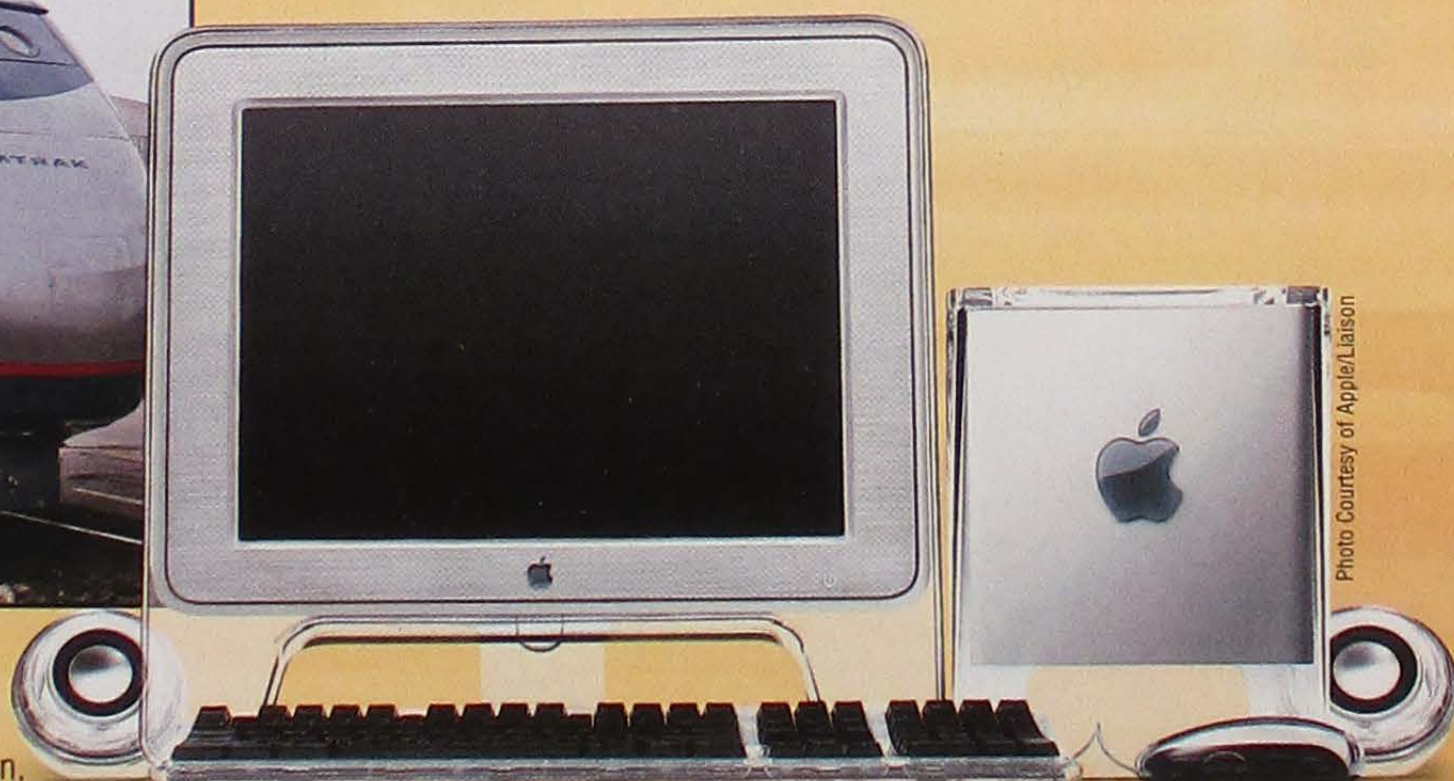


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▲ A new Web site, Customatix.com, lets users design their own sneakers. Starting from scratch or selecting a prefab model, users can pick everything from the colors and styling to the fabric and personalized logo at a cost of \$80 to \$95 a pair.

✓ New prepaid credit cards and online credit lines are the latest high-tech means for parents to control their teens' spending. Depending on the account, parents determine the spending limit or the online stores where the money can be spent and receive monthly statements of purchases made.



▲ MH-18, billed as the first national lifestyle magazine for guys 13 to 18, hits newsstands in August. The *Men's Health* offshoot covers sports, fitness, school, relationships and issues teenage boys face growing up.



▲ American Heritage, among other publishers, releases new dictionaries, capturing the language of our computer-savvy culture. "Dot-com," "netiquette" and "cybersurfing" are among the new entries.



▲ Pleather, a synthetic fabric that looks like leather, comes in an array of colors and prints and is popularized by celebrities like singer Christina Aguilera.

✓ Techno pants, as functional as last year's cargoes but with cleaner lines and nylon fabric, are popular with teens. They come in a variety of colors and feature zippered legs and pockets, toggles and nylon drawstrings.



▲ Laser eye surgery becomes an increasingly accepted alternative to eyeglasses and contact lenses as the technology continues to improve.

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◀ The popularity of Apple Computer's translucent berry-colored iMac sparks a wave of similarly colored cell phones, CD players, cameras, irons and other household appliances.

For the first time, females outnumber males in Internet use in the United States, representing 50.4% of the online population in 2000. Teenage girls are the fastest growing user segment.

Designer faceplates become a popular way to personalize cell phones. The decorative attachments come in a variety of designs and colors to match the user's mood or outfit.



▲ Wordstretch bracelets become a trendy accessory in Hollywood and around the nation. The multi-colored elastic bands come inscribed with "Call me," "Money is overrated," "Snap out of it" and other simple messages designed to spark conversation.



David Young-Wolff/PhotoEdit



▲ High-tech, fold-up metal versions of the old scooter are one of the year's hottest modes of transportation but also a leading cause of injury.

✓ Message T-shirts become fashion statements among teen girls. "Foxy Lady," "Princess" and "Monkey Around" are just a few of the tongue-in-cheek logos that appear on the popular shirts.



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By the end of 2000, an estimated 75% of U.S. universities offer courses online and more than 5.8 million students have logged on.

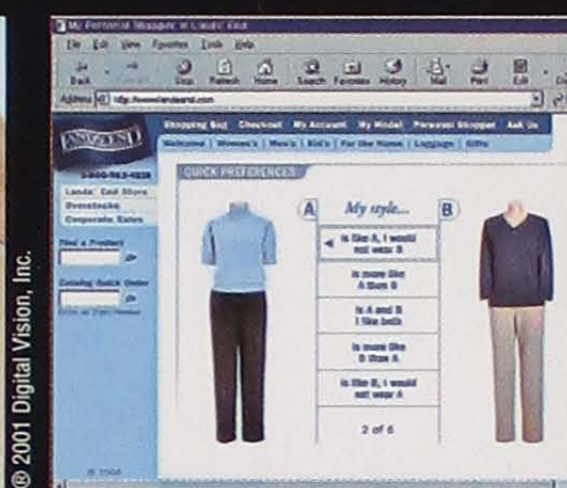
With the 2000 unemployment rate at a low of 4%, college students working as summer interns command wages up to \$20 an hour, along with compensation packages, from high-tech and Internet companies.



▲ Companies like Estee Lauder, Origins, Hermes and Blistex begin to market products in portable single-use packets. Products include nail polish remover, scented wipes, hair conditioners and moisturizers.



▲ Stick-on crystals and gems become popular fashion accessories for teen girls, accenting the face, neck and shoulders.



▲ Mail-order clothing pioneer Lands' End introduces "scan wear." The technology captures customers' body measurements, and allows users to virtually "try on" clothing when ordering via the Internet.

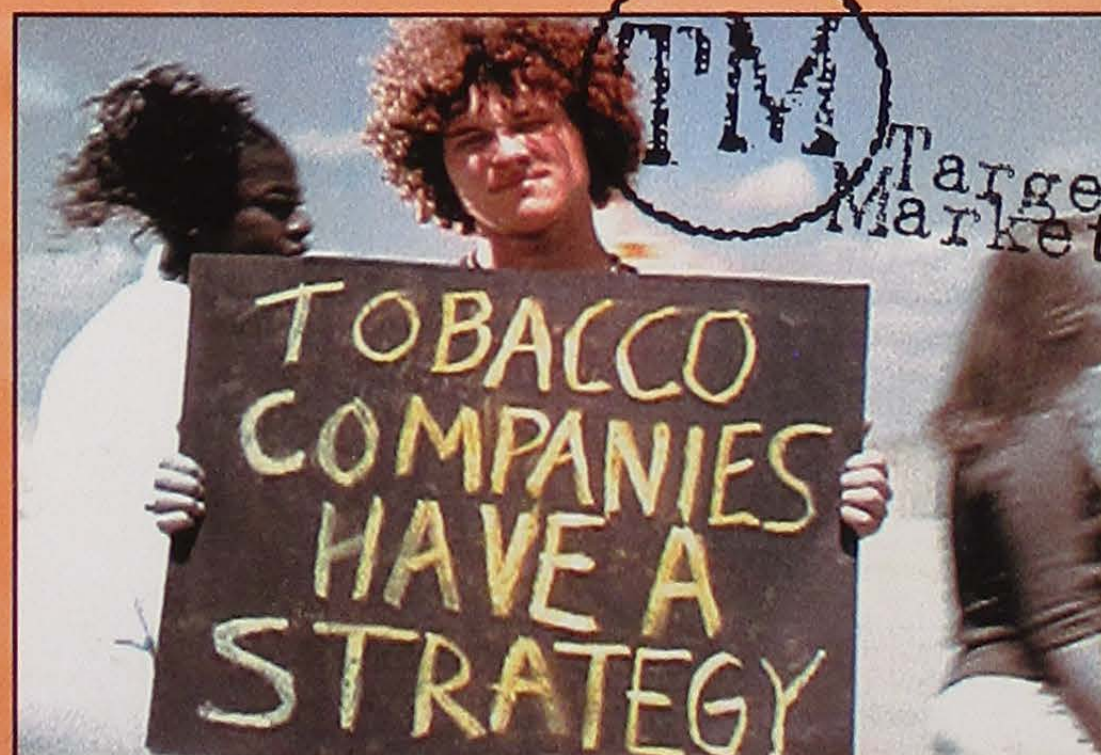


▲ "Personal TVs" by TiVo and ReplayTV allow users to control live TV by pausing or rewinding and to record their favorite shows without having to set a VCR timer or purchase videotapes.



▲ Chrysler rolls out its 1930s retro car, the PT Cruiser, in spring 2000. The five-door "personal transportation" wagon is a hot seller, beating the popular Volkswagen New Beetle by two to one in the first month. It also wins *Motor Trend* magazine's 2001 Car of the Year.

✓ Teens involved in anti-smoking organizations such as The Truth and Target Market strike back at Big Tobacco for marketing to youth, by launching their own in-your-face advertising campaigns targeting cigarette makers. The print and broadcast ads are sponsored by funds won from tobacco suit settlements.



Chris Hondros/Newsweek/Liaison

Target Market



▲ The Millennium Force, the world's tallest and fastest roller coaster, opens in May 2000 at the Cedar Point amusement park in Sandusky, Ohio. The ride has a 300-foot drop and travels up to 92 miles per hour.

✓ A new computer video game called "The Sims," which simulates the life of a suburban family, develops a fanatical following with teens. Players create the characters and guide them through building a house, furnishing it, finding a career and running a family in their pursuit of happiness.



Maxis/Electronic Arts



Everett Collection

▲ Jim Carrey stirs up trouble in the town of Whoville in an adaptation of the Dr. Seuss classic, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. *The Grinch*, which opens in November, is the highest grossing film of 2000.



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▲ *Meet the Parents*, starring Robert De Niro and Ben Stiller, opens in October. The movie wins Favorite Comedy Motion Picture at the People's Choice Awards, and De Niro earns a Golden Globe nomination.

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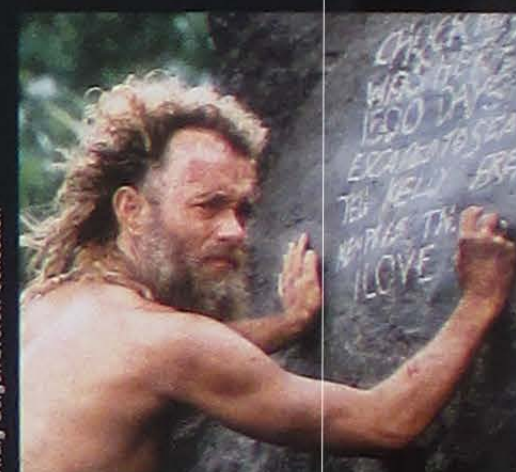
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▲ In July, CBS launches "Big Brother," a reality-based show in which 10 people share living quarters for three months until all but one are voted out. Viewers can monitor contestants 24/7 on the show's Web site.



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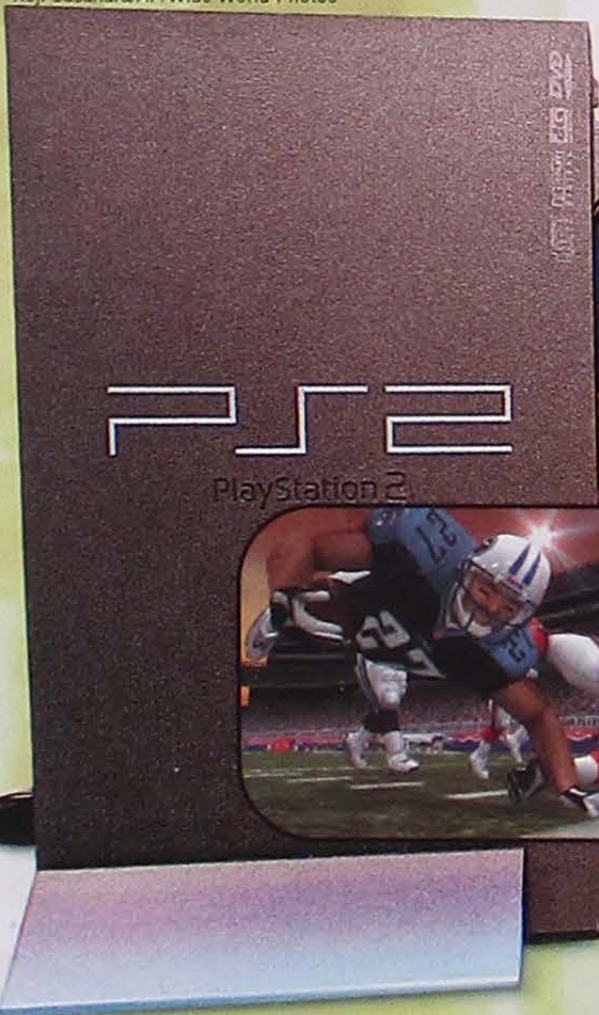
▲ UPN's weekly series "WWF Smackdown!" starring professional wrestler The Rock is the network's most-watched show in 2000, with 7.3 million viewers.



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▲ In December, *Cast Away* is released, starring Tom Hanks as a crash victim stranded on a desert island for four years. For his nearly one-man performance Hanks wins Best Actor at the Golden Globes.

Koji Sasahara/AP/Wide World Photos



✎ Gamers camp outside electronics stores to secure the long-awaited Sony PlayStation 2, which goes on sale in October in limited quantities. The new version allows users to listen to CDs and watch DVD movies in addition to playing games.

Courtesy Electronic Arts

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The first big hit in 2001 is *Save the Last Dance*, which opens in January. The teen romance, starring Julia Stiles and Sean Patrick Thomas, earns close to \$50 million in its first two weeks.

Pay It Forward, a movie based on the idea of performing random acts of kindness, opens in October starring Haley Joel Osment, Kevin Spacey and Helen Hunt.



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▲ Tom Cruise reprises his role as Ethan Hunt in the action sequel *Mission: Impossible 2*. The May release is summer's biggest box-office draw and 2000's second-highest grossing film, earning more than \$215 million.



Popular television series prompt the introduction of board game versions. "Survivor" and "Who Wants To Be a Millionaire" lead the list of new releases.

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In November, illusionist David Blaine is encased in ice for 62 hours in New York's Times Square, assisted only with air and water tubes and a catheter. Blaine, who was seeking notoriety over national TV, survives the stunt but requires hospitalization.

Russell Crowe becomes a household name with the release of *Gladiator*. The epic film wins a Golden Globe Award for Best Drama as well as an acting nod for Crowe.

NBC's White House drama "The West Wing," starring Martin Sheen, Allison Janney and Richard Schiff, sets a record for receiving the most Emmys in a single season with nine wins, including Outstanding Drama Series.



NBC's "Will & Grace" is one of television's 10 most watched shows in 2000. Actors Sean Hayes and Megan Mullally win Emmys for their roles as Jack and Karen.



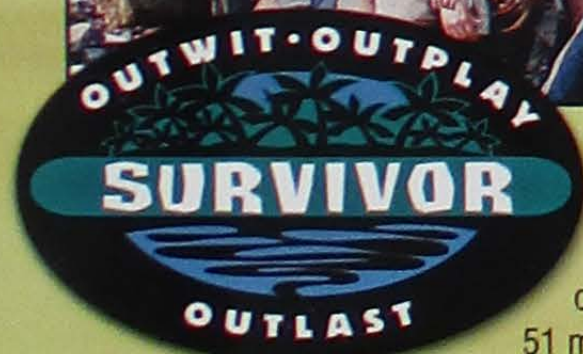
Scary Movie, the Wayans brothers' spoof on horror movies, is among the year's 10 highest grossing films. The July release earns more than \$157 million and is voted the Teen Choice Awards Movie of the Summer.



Fox's "Dark Angel" is voted Favorite New Television Dramatic Series at the 2001 People's Choice Awards. The series, set in the year 2019, explores the life of a genetically enhanced heroine named Max.



In July, Wolverine, Cyclops, Storm and other super-powerful comic book characters are brought to life in *X-Men*. The movie grosses over \$157 million, one of the year's 10 biggest box-office draws.



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The year's hottest TV show is CBS's "Survivor," in which 16 contestants compete for a million dollars by surviving on a tropical island for 39 days. More than 51 million viewers tune in for the final episode. Based on its success, CBS launches a second "Survivor" series in January 2001 set in the Australian Outback.

Charlie's Angels, based on the popular '70s TV series, is one of the top 20 box-office draws in 2000. The movie, starring director Drew Barrymore, Cameron Diaz and Lucy Liu, earns \$40 million its opening week in November and grosses more than \$123 million during its run.



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▲ In response to the growing interest in Latin music, CBS airs the "1st Annual Latin Grammy Awards" in September. The show is the first primetime network Spanish language telecast on American TV and draws 7.5 million viewers.

▲ A new board game called "Hip-Hop Hall of Fame" capitalizes on the popularity of the music genre. Players make their way around an album-like board by answering questions about Hip-Hop performers, songs, culture and history.



Alex Cao/AP/Wide World Photos



Tami Chappell/Archive Photos

▲ Hip-Hop remains one of the year's dominant sounds, with acts such as DMX, Jay-Z and Ludacris all making *Billboard's* Top 40 with new songs and selling more than a million copies of their latest CDs.



▲ 'N Sync's *No Strings Attached* becomes the top-selling album of 2000 with 10 million units sold. The lead single "Bye Bye Bye" wins three MTV awards and receives a Grammy nomination for Record of the Year.



Mark Allan/Globe Photos

▲ Pop star Björk wins MTV's Breakthrough Video Award for "All Is Full of Love." The Icelandic newcomer is also nominated for a Golden Globe and a Grammy for her music in *Dancer In the Dark*.



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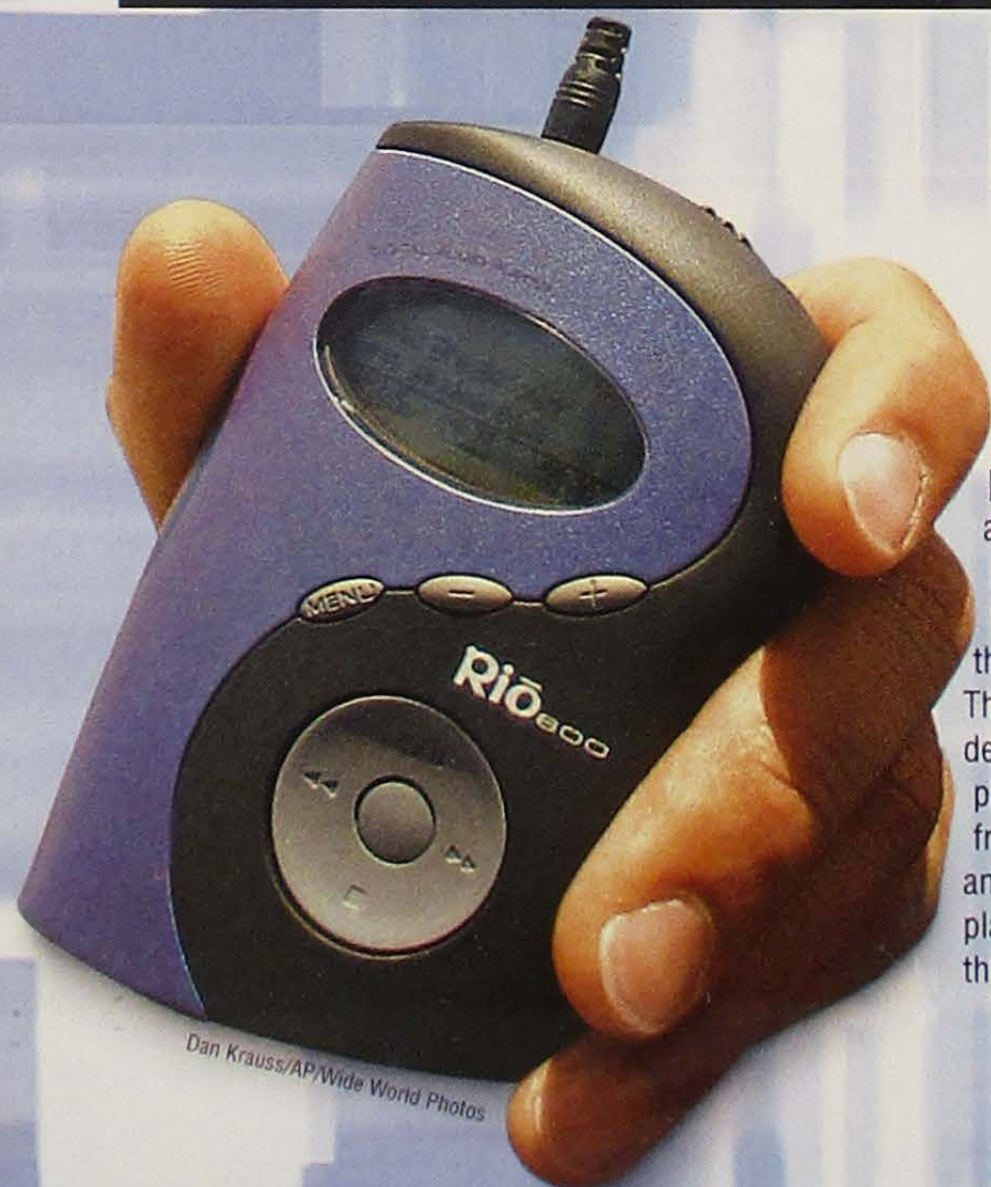
▲ Macy Gray wins MTV's Best New Artist in a Video award for her hit single "I Try." Gray is also nominated for three Grammys.



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▲ Lee Ann Womack wins the Country Music Association's award for Best Single with "I Hope You Dance." Womack also receives several Grammy nominations.

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Dan Krauss/AP/Wide World Photos

▲ New brands and styles of portable MP3 players inundate the market in 2000. The new-generation devices store and play digital music from the Internet and feature more playing time than their predecessors.

Madonna scores a record-setting 12th No. 1 single with the release of "Music." In December, she weds director Guy Ritchie in a Scottish castle.

Irish artist Samantha Mumba makes the music charts in 2001 with her hit song "Gotta Tell You." The 17-year-old joins fellow countrymen U2 and The Corrs on the American airwaves.



Christopher Lee Helton/Retna Ltd. USA

▲ Creed, with lead singer Scott Stapp, proves to be one of 2000's hottest rock bands, with their singles "Higher" and "With Arms Wide Open" hitting the top 5 on *Billboard's* Hot 100 singles list. The group wins American Music Association's Favorite Alternative Artist and Favorite Pop/Rock Album.



Opening week sales records are shattered in 2000 with benchmarks set for the number of albums sold. Britney Spears' *Oops...I Did It Again*, Eminem's *The Marshall Mathers LP*, Limp Bizkit's *Chocolate Starfish and the Hot Dog Flavored Water* and Backstreet Boys' *Black & Blue* all break the million-unit mark.

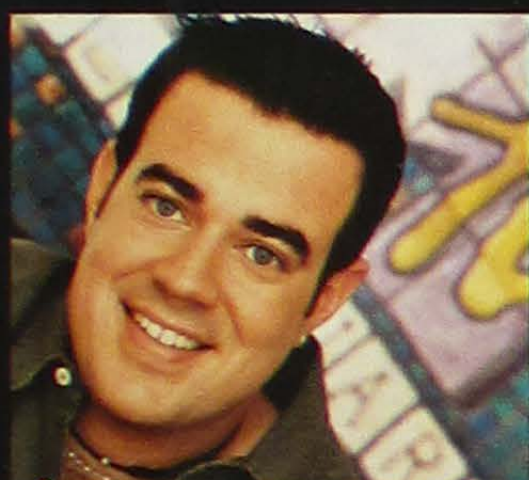
Napster loses several court battles with the recording industry over copyright infringement. The popular online music sharing service, with over 60 million users, faces shut-down unless it can create a new business formula that satisfies the major recording labels.



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The Beatles begin 2001 atop the *Billboard* album chart with the album *1*. The CD sells more than 5 million copies over the holiday season.

Sisqo, a member of the R&B band Dru Hill, goes solo in 2000. The singer tops the singles chart with "Incomplete" and "Thong Song" and takes home awards from *Billboard* and the American Music Association.



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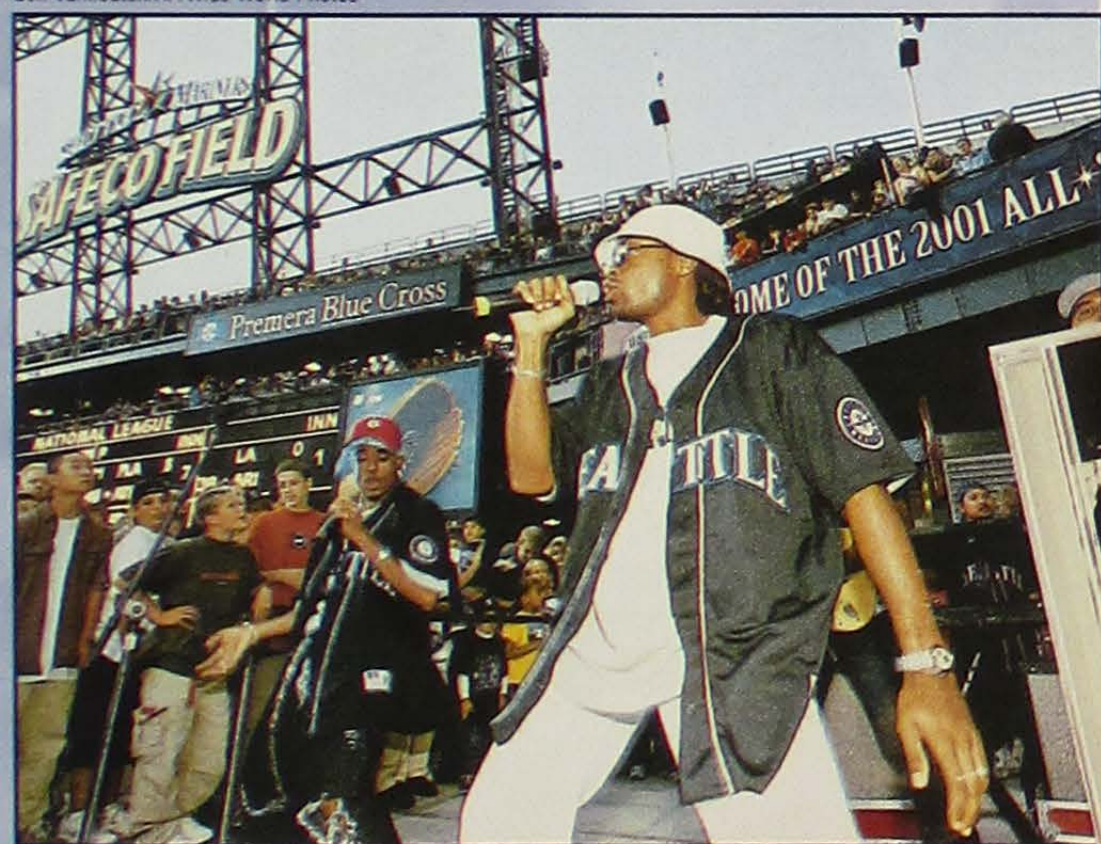
MTV's "Total Request Live," which allows viewers to vote for their favorite music videos, continues to gain popularity. Host Carson Daly becomes one of the year's best-known faces.

Destiny's Child achieves three back-to-back No. 1 singles in 2000, making the band *Billboard*'s Top Pop Artist of 2000. The group is nominated for five Grammys, four for the single "Say My Name."

Faith Hill and Tim McGraw perform to sellout crowds on their Soul 2 Soul tour. Hill and McGraw win the Country Music Association's Female and Male Vocalist of the Year, making them the first couple to win in the same year.

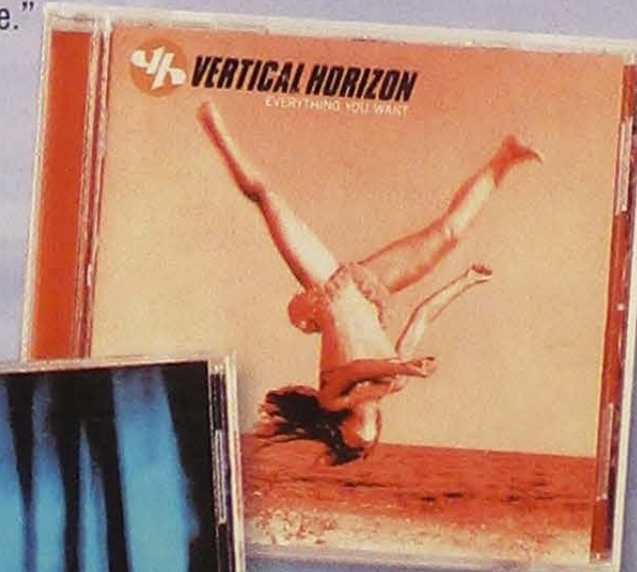
Pink is one of the year's top new artists. Her debut album, *Can't Take Me Home*, sells 2 million copies, and two of her songs are Top 10 hits.

Ben Vanhouten/AP/Wide World Photos



Baha Men's hit song "Who Let the Dogs Out" reaches anthem status at sports stadiums across the country. The song also wins a Grammy nomination for Best Dance Recording.

Rock music dominates the music charts and award shows in 2000. Groups including matchbox twenty, Vertical Horizon and 3 Doors Down top both the rock and pop singles charts with their respective singles "Bent," "Everything You Want," and "Kryptonite."





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▲ The New York Yankees defeat the New York Mets four games to one in the first "Subway Series" since 1956. It is the Yankees' third straight World Series win and their 26th overall.

▼ American Marion Jones, 24, becomes the first woman to win five track and field medals in a single Olympic Games at the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney. Jones wins the 100- and 200-meter sprints and the 4x400 relay, and finishes third in both the 4x100 relay and long jump.

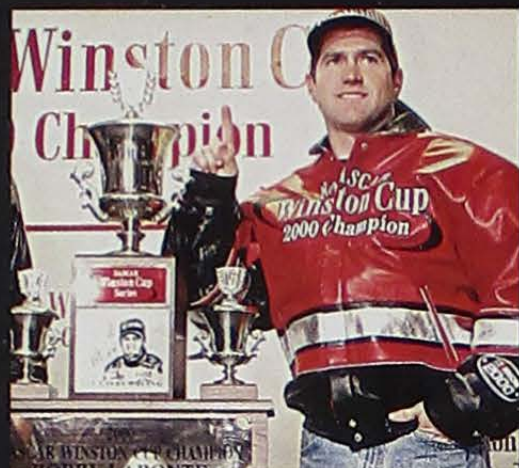


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▲ Tiger Woods, 24, wins three of golf's four major tournaments to become the youngest player to win a career grand slam. Woods also breaks the earnings record for a single year with winnings of more than \$9 million.



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▲ Bobby Labonte wins the 2000 NASCAR Winston Cup, his first after eight years on the circuit. Labonte and his brother Terry, winner of two previous Winston Cups, are the first brothers to win titles.



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▲ The Houston Comets beat the New York Liberty to win the 2000 WNBA championship. The win is Houston's fourth in a row, and star Cynthia Cooper is named the finals MVP.



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▲ In the 2001 Orange Bowl, the underdog Oklahoma Sooners defeat the Florida State Seminoles 13-2 to win the National Championship. It is Oklahoma's first title in 15 years.



M. Spencer Green/AP/Wide World Photos

▲ Australian Karrie Webb is named the LPGA's Player of the Year for the second time in a row. Webb wins seven titles in 2000, including the U.S. Women's Open in July, and sets an earnings record of \$1.8 million.

▼ Venus Williams dominates women's tennis. The 20-year-old has a 35-match winning streak, which includes the titles at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open as well as an Olympic gold medal.



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With a win against the University of Dayton in September, Yale becomes the first college team to win 800 football games.

In January 2001, after a three-year hiatus, legendary Mario Lemieux returns to play for the Pittsburgh Penguins, the hockey team he now part-owns. Lemieux becomes the first owner/player in the history of the NHL.

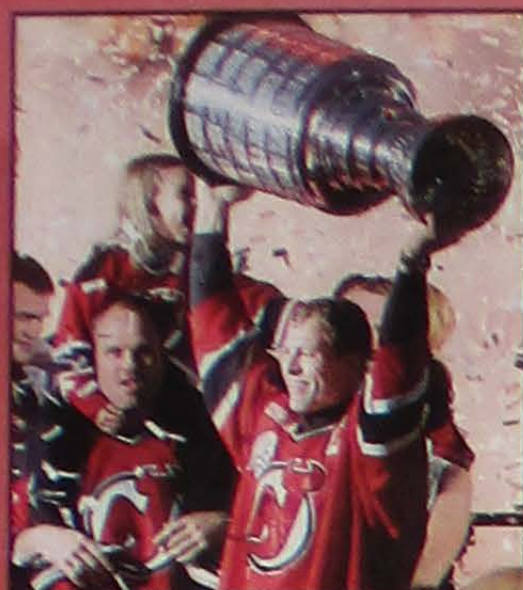


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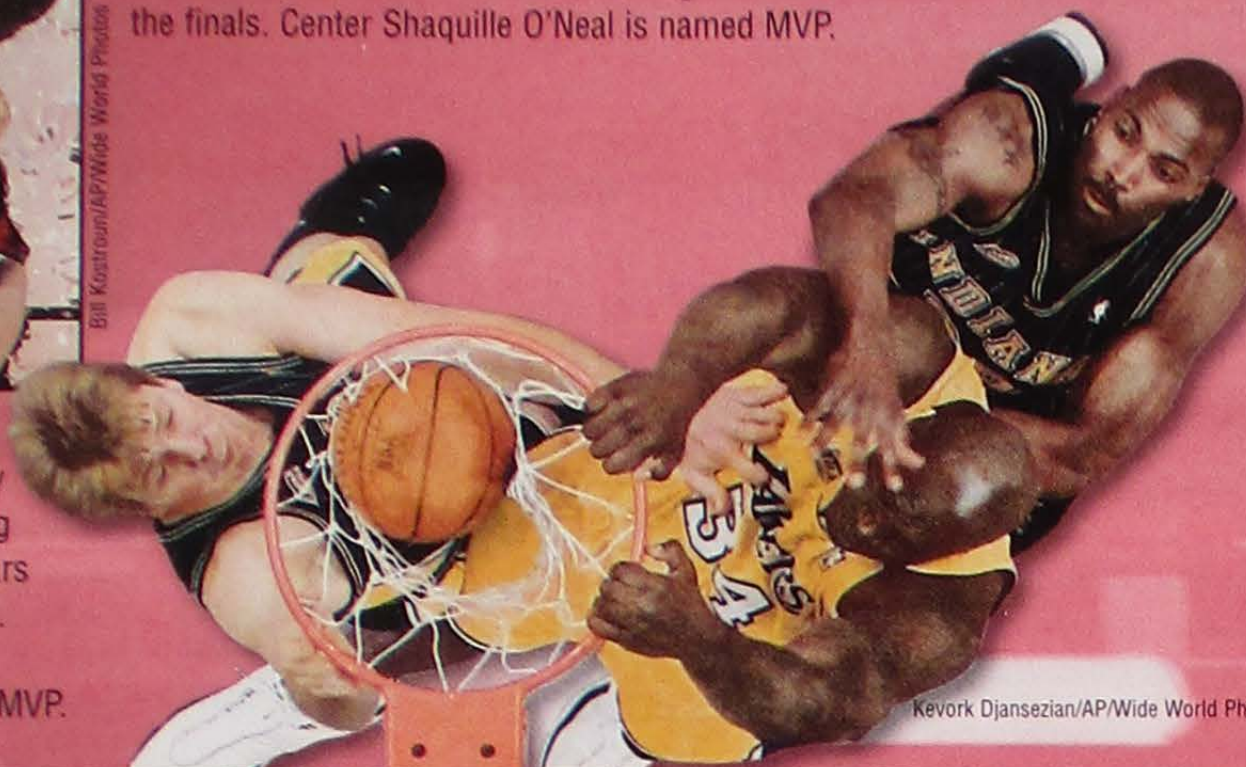
▲ Cyclist Lance Armstrong wins his second consecutive Tour de France in July. Armstrong, a cancer survivor, also writes his autobiography *It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life*.



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✓ The Los Angeles Lakers win the NBA championship, the franchise's first in 12 years. The Lakers beat the Indiana Pacers in game six of the finals. Center Shaquille O'Neal is named MVP.



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The racing world is stunned when NASCAR legend Dale Earnhardt Sr., a seven-time Winston Cup champion, is killed on the last lap of the Daytona 500 in February 2001. NASCAR does not retire numbers, but car owner Richard Childress said he will never again race Earnhardt's black No. 3 car.

Xtreme Football debuts in February 2001. The game combines conventional football rules with some of the mayhem of professional wrestling. Eight teams play in the league's first season.

▲ In June, the New Jersey Devils win their second Stanley Cup in six seasons by defeating defending champion Dallas Stars four games to two in the finals. Scott Stevens wins the Conn Smythe Trophy for postseason MVP.



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▲ Laura Wilkinson overcomes three broken toes to win the women's 10-meter platform diving competition. Wilkinson is the first American woman to earn the gold in this Olympic event since 1964.

▲ In a huge upset, American Greco-Roman wrestler Rulon Gardner defeats Russian legend Alexander Karelin for the gold in the super heavyweight class. The loss is Karelin's first in 13 years.

▲ American swimmer Misty Hyman beats out heavily favored Susie O'Neill of Australia to win the 200-meter butterfly. Hyman's winning time of 2:05.88 is an Olympic record.

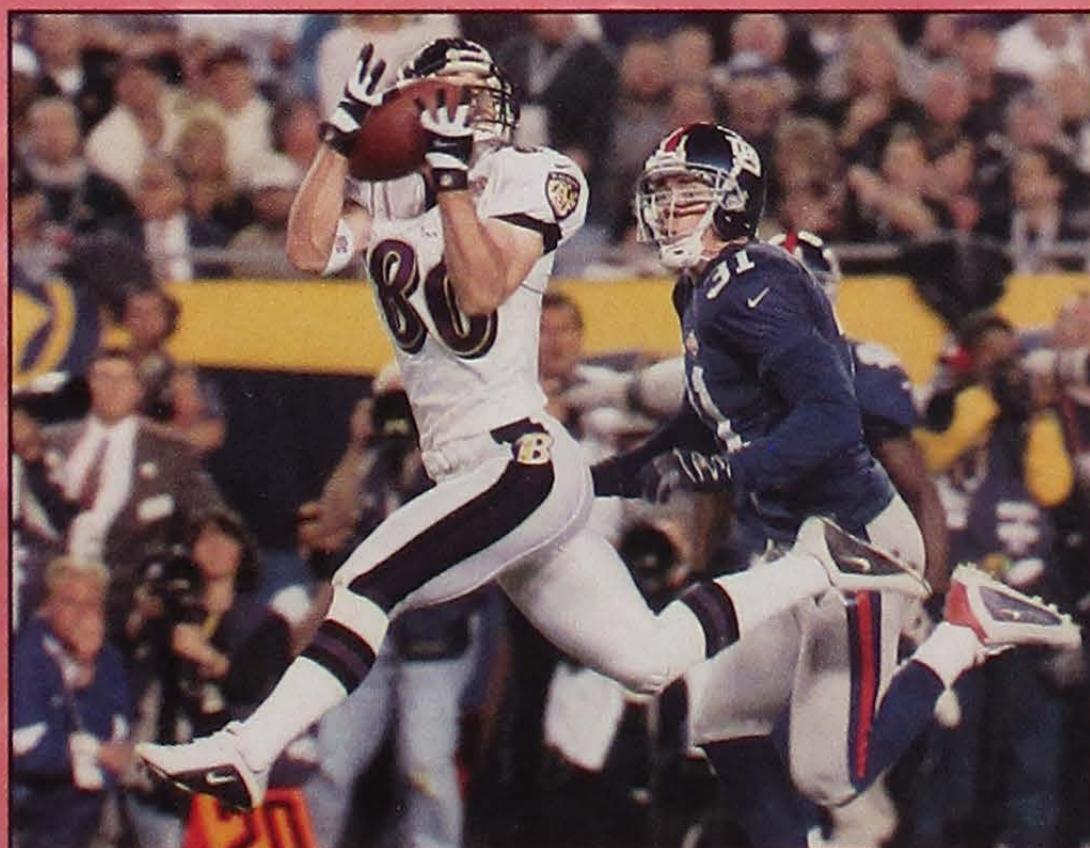
▲ American runner Michael Johnson makes history by winning the 400-meter run for an unprecedented second time in a row at the Olympics. Alvin Harrison, also from the United States, wins the silver medal.



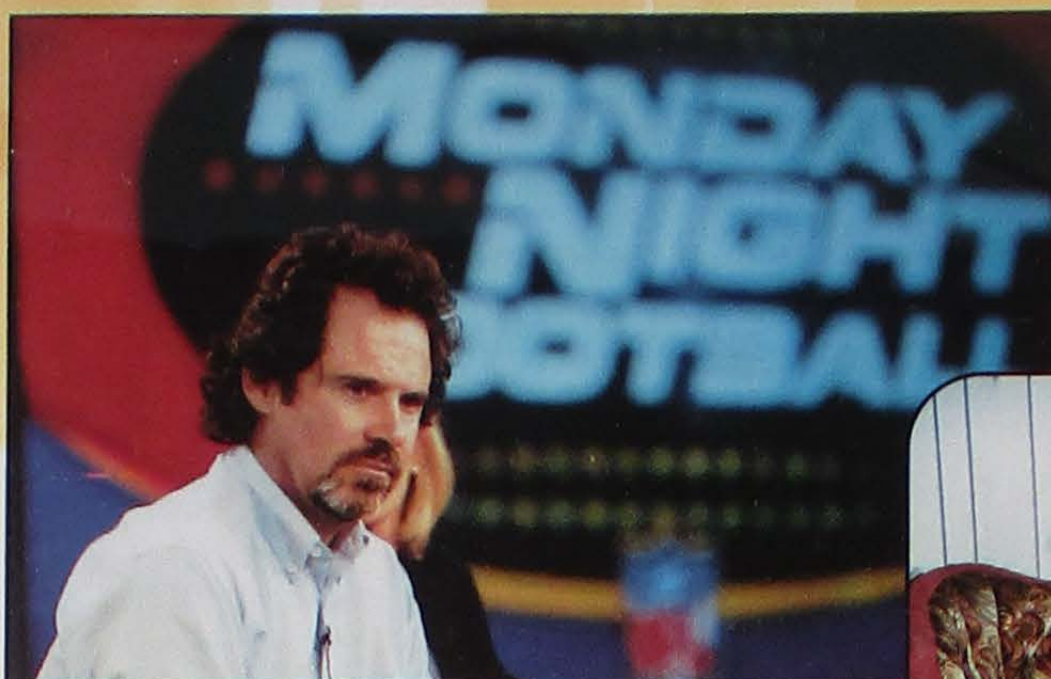
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▲ Cathy Freeman carries the Olympic torch at the opening ceremonies of the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney. Freeman goes on to win the 400-meter dash, becoming the first Aboriginal Australian to earn an individual Olympic gold medal.

✓ The Baltimore Ravens beat the New York Giants 34-7 in Super Bowl XXXV for their first NFL title. Ray Lewis of Baltimore's highly touted defense is named MVP of the game.



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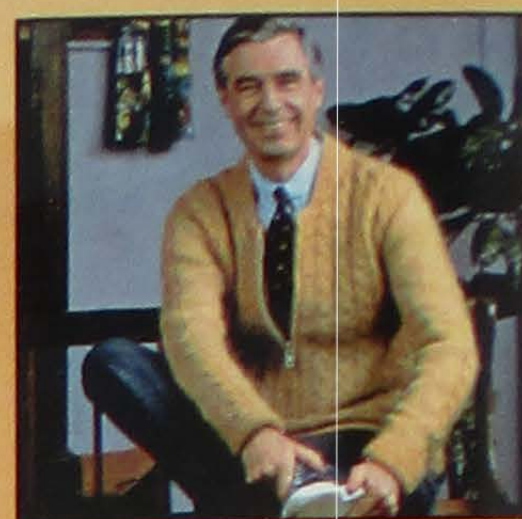


▲ Comedian Dennis Miller debuts as co-announcer on ABC's "Monday Night Football." Miller's offbeat humor gets a mixed reaction from fans, and the series earns some of the lowest ratings in its 31-year history.

✓ Paula Prince of Port Richey, Florida, wins the sixth annual Ugly Couch Contest, sponsored by a slipcover manufacturer, with her vintage '70s entry. Prince and two other contest finalists appear on ABC's "Live! With Regis" in October.



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▲ Fred Rogers, host of the children's PBS show "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," announces he will tie his tennis shoes for the last time, when his final new episode airs in August 2001. Rogers will continue to work on Web sites, books and special museum projects.



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▲ To observe society and learn about himself, New Jersey native Brett Banfe, 18, takes a one-year vow of silence. He communicates by e-mail, facial expressions and business cards.



Andy Lyons/Allsport

▲ Runner Marla Runyan, who is legally blind, becomes the first U.S. Paralympian to compete in the Olympics. Runyan places 8th in the 1,500-meter run at the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney, Australia.



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▲ England celebrates the 100th birthday of the Queen Mum, mother of Queen Elizabeth, in August. The beloved Mum becomes the oldest living royal in the history of the British Monarchy.



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▲ In October, Slovenian climber Davor Karnicar becomes the first person to ski down Mount Everest. Karnicar's two-mile descent down the world's highest mountain takes five hours.

✎ In honor of the late cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, 101 fiberglass Snoopy statues — each in a theme wardrobe — are displayed in Schulz's hometown of St. Paul. Several are auctioned off in October to raise money for aspiring cartoonists.

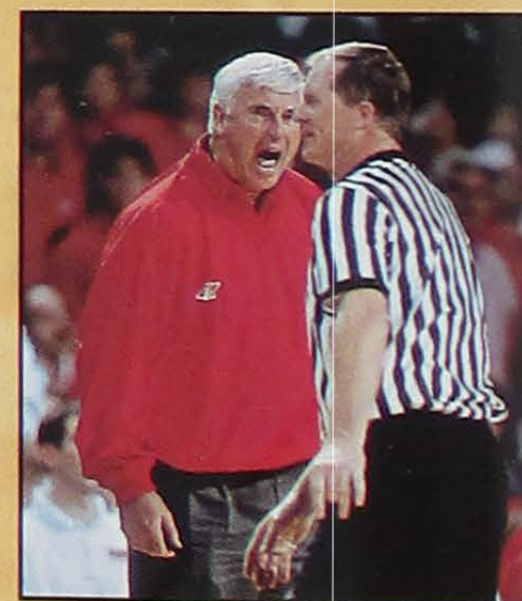


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Video gamer Josh Griffith, 17, starts a business filling in for other gamers involved in an online roleplaying game called "Asheron's Call." Players are required to put in hours of game time to keep their online characters powerful. Busy executives pay Griffith up to \$40 an hour to play for them.

After a record 3,545 wins and \$81 million in earnings during her 19-year career, jockey Julie Krone becomes the first woman inducted into the National Racing Hall of Fame.



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▲ Controversial Indiana University basketball coach Bob Knight is fired in September after allegedly violating a University-imposed code of conduct. During his 29 years at Indiana, Knight was often criticized for temper outbursts. His dismissal provokes student protest demonstrations.

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